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To the people of Clifton,
past, present and future

Abstract

Through diaries, Agricultural Society minutes and other records, this book offers a fascinating look at farming life in nineteenth-century New Brunswick. Focussing on the Wetmore family of Clifton Royal, author Judith Baxter has based the book around a series of family manuscripts housed in the John Fisher Memorial Museum. Through journal entries dating from 1870 through 1891, the book paints a delightful picture of daily life in rural New Brunswick, covering everything from seasonal plantings to militia service in careful detail. For genealogists, minute books and shop records dating from 1864 list local inhabitants and clients of the family's fruit farms and general store — including, perhaps, a long-lost relative who may not have paid the bill! Lavishly illustrated with period photographs and artifacts from local collections, the book not only brings an important local family back to life, but also recalls a gentler time when Canada was still young. Musings about the meaning of community and personal history, as well as information on such local institutions as Clifton's All Saints Church and the Midian Masonic Lodge, provide additional insight on life in smalltown Canada. A must for anyone with an interest in Victorian New Brunswick, and a boon to anyone researching this part of the province.

Résumé analytique

Conçu à partir de journaux, de procès verbaux de la société agricole du Nouveau-Brunswick et d'autres dossiers, ce livre offre un témoignage fascinant sur la vie à la ferme du XIXe siècle au Nouveau-Brunswick. Dans cet ouvrage, l'auteure Judith Baxter, s'est inspirée de la famille Wetmore de Clifton Royal. L'auteure a rédigé son livre principalement à partir de manuscrits de la famille lesquels sont exposés au John Fisher Memorial Museum. À partir d'écritures de journal, datant de 1870 à 1891, elle brosse un magnifique portrait de la vie quotidienne d'antan dans les régions rurales du Nouveau-Brunswick. Avec le souci du détail, l'auteure raconte tout de cette période– des plantations saisonnières au service de la milice. Pour les généalogistes, les registres des procès-verbaux et les dossiers du magasin, qui datent de 1864, répertorient la liste des habitants locaux ainsi que des clients des exploitations de culture fruitière de la famille et du magasin général, y compris, peut-être, un parent perdu de vue depuis longtemps qui n'aurait jamais réglé sa facture! L'ouvrage est illustré par des photographies d'époque somptueuses et des artefacts provenant de collections locales. Le livre ne fait pas uniquement renaître de ses cendres une famille locale importante, mais il évoque également une époque plus clémente, au moment où le Canada était encore jeune. De plus, l'auteure se livre à des réflexions au sujet de la signification de l'histoire communautaire et personnelle, et elle nous donne de l'information quant aux institutions locales, telles que le Clifton's All Saints Church et le Midian Masonic Lodge. Ces renseignements supplémentaires nous apportent un aperçu sur la vie dans les petites villes du Canada. Ce livre est indispensable pour ceux et celles qui s'intéressent au Nouveau-Brunswick de l'époque victorienne et il est une aide précieuse pour ceux et celles qui désirent en connaître davantage sur cette région de la province

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The Walling map was published in 1862, one year before the new hall was built in Clifton. It shows the location of the first community school, the sawmill and the shipyard in the village, the Waddell grist mill and sawmill at Reeds Point, and J. S. Wetmore's boat shop, sawmill and grist mill at Moss Glen, all referred to in these diaries. Clifton is a village that flourished when space and raw materials were plentiful, immigration was vigorous and full of possibilities, and family webs were common, dependable and necessary. A village whose popularity crested in the early days of manufacturing, when traditional means of livelihood, farming and transportation changed forever. A time and place when managing space and time were not significant, when everything was possible and fortunes feasible. The world changed, Clifton settled into a senior community, then into a bedroom community of Saint John, which inches nearer every year. Change is again coming to Clifton.

Preface

The search for who we are often becomes a search for where we've come from. And often it is only the memory of that place that survives. In our search, we sometimes discover sleepy communities where little seems to have happened. Where there is no evidence of a store, post office or school, not even a signpost to identify it — just a cluster of houses along a road. Yet there was a time when many of these places were inhabited by active, interesting and adventurous folk who prided themselves on their industrious communities. A past that begs the question, why, where and when did it change?

The village of Clifton Royal, Kings County, New Brunswick, is one such place. By the middle of the nineteenth century, it was a thriving rural Victorian community carved out of the wilderness that had met the United Empire Loyalists in 1783. Settled and built by individuals of vision, steel men of the wooden ships who rebuilt their lives from the raw materials at hand. With the decline of wooden sailing ships, industry, which had complemented shipbuilding, moved closer to the city, and the new railways enticed younger generations west, away from the farms. Change came to places like Clifton.

In today's jargon, Clifton Royal is an address created by the postal service. Since there were two villages called Clifton in the province of New Brunswick, and mail was ending up in the wrong one, the postal authorities, in their wisdom, decreed that the name of one village be changed. Clifton, Kingston Peninsula, Kings County thus became Clifton Royal. As there was a Crown postal stamp at the time, the village assumed the "Royal" from the Royal Canadian Mail, rather than by decree (however regal the locals felt their lineage to be!).

The introduction of the 911 emergency service complicated matters even more. Postal authorities decided to distinguish each established community by means of a postal code. And to add insult to injury, at the same time they amalgamated communities. In one fell swoop, therefore, they erased once delightful villages off the map. There are now only four community names on the Kingston Peninsula. The once proud, individual communities of Reeds Point, Moss Glen, Glen Farland, White Head and Centreton (Cronks Corner) have all been designated Clifton Royal.

Clifton is rural in nature, mostly houses strung out along a road dipping in and out of glens with lovely scenic views. It does not have a school, or a store, or a Masonic lodge, or even a post office. In fact, there isn't a post office on the Kingston Peninsula! Yet bureaucrats were the ones who decided that delightful community

names such as Shampers Bluff, Misery Mountain and Milkish should come off our envelopes. That just won't do! Saving the memory of these villages will be a challenge. It will be up to those who live along the road. Publishing the journals of another time helps remind people of their heritage and sense of pride in their communities . . . because change comes quickly.

The collection of the John Fisher Memorial Museum includes several diaries, essays and minute books (1864 to 1910) related to life in the village of Clifton. Together they paint a portrait of a village, time and space, in New Brunswick. The books and essays are interchangeable; they contain similar personal relationships, weather and social activities. They identify a time when the privy was a necessity, a chore to be done and a product to be recycled. Mixing pure chemicals to grow more produce per acre was a science in its infancy and, sadly, one job done with gusto — and perhaps deadly consequences. Self and image were not things one exposed easily, even in a personal journal, and the birth of an animal that added to the family fortunes was recorded with the same reverence as that of a child.

Diaries reveal the ordinary, preserve the humanity and display the follies of the time. Reading them in the twenty-first century helps us realize that life is life, regardless of the time frame. And the search for our past becomes less blurry when these journals are discovered in dusty attics and boxes where those with foresight have tucked them away. Others have not thrown away the treasures but entrusted their guardianship to museums or libraries for posterity.

People have always sought to live in a village community where there is kinship among neighbours. This is as true today as in the past, when it was vital for survival, and change came slowly. The village today, whether rural or urban, is constantly faced with change. Preserving and enhancing the best of the past will provide a solid foundation for that change while maintaining the integrity of the place. Built heritage, and the bits and pieces found in attics, barns and museums are always strong indicators of style, history and culture.

On the Kingston Peninsula, people have a clearly identified past, are proud of their heritage as United Empire Loyalists of diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Those who are searching for their roots will find remnants of that past at the John Fisher Memorial Museum, which is located in the historic Macdonald Consolidated School in Kingston, New Brunswick.

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To recognize those who have contributed to this project is a frightening prospect because many have moved on to another level: the journalists who gave us their selfless days, the essayists who left us snapshots of the social fabric of their time, and the "chatelaines" who treasured those writings and photographs. At the top of the list, there is Sidona Wetmore, who gathered material for her manuscript, a book that did not materialize in her lifetime but to which she dedicated a great deal of time and effort (helped by those who beat out the manuscript on a manual typewriter). Sidona donated her manuscript and photographs to the John Fisher Memorial Museum, and they have been a great resource for this book. Leona Wetmore, a woman who was well respected in the village of Clifton Royal, preserved the photographs and papers of her husband Wilfred's family, and donated many artifacts to the permanent collection of the John Fisher Memorial Museum. Richard W. Wetmore wrote the enlightening essay on the history of Midian Lodge in 1912, on a very dubious typewriter and paper quality, so much so that we are inclined to suggest that he also contributed the essay on Moss Glen and the building of All Saints Church.

In real time, there is Fran Millar, who thinks she does little and contributes so much as volunteer archivist for the John Fisher Memorial Museum, and Mildred and Denny Sheldrick, who contributed photographs and identified many of the properties and owners of that time period. We are also grateful to the members and friends of Peninsula Heritage Inc., who support and promote the sense of place here on the Kingston Peninsula.

Our thanks also go to two Anonymous Referees, to Rob Roy, and to Paula Sousa, who made sure the 'i's' had their dots and the 't's' their cross, while enjoying the Mexican street bands in Paris!

Introduction

These books have been tucked away in the John Fisher Memorial Museum. They were donated by Leona Wetmore, who acted as the keeper of the story of Clifton for many years. Mrs. Wetmore was a teacher on the Kingston Peninsula most of her adult life. From the one-room school house at White Head, she moved into Macdonald Consolidated School with her students, as change came and the last of the community schools disappeared. Because of her interest in maintaining her husband's family history, we are fortunate to have such a mine of information.

Should the need arise to know the price of kerosene or a good pair of gloves in the late nineteenth century, chances are you'll find it here. Or if you've had a burning desire to know how the earlier farmers improved their soil and animal breeds, or how to shift the product out of an outhouse, now is your chance. And should you be doing your family genealogy, there are lists and dates that just may come in handy.

Journal writing is a great resource for researching language. Who knew there were so many parts of the day? (Would anyone say "twenty to the hour" anymore?) And what a great term for melting of river ice: wasting! There is also a lot of information on weather patterns in the journals. The river did not always remain frozen throughout the winter. Because of global warming? The biggest discovery was to find that the journals weren't full of self, that the Victorian individual did not start every sentence with "I", that people knew who they were and what their worth was.

Clifton is the short stretch of land on the northwest side of the Kennebecasis River, extending from the "Sugar Loaf" to the "mountain" and comprising lots 3 to 9 of the land which, according to provincial records, was conveyed in the Kingston Grant to Wm. Tyng and others. The lots were 60 rods wide along the shore and about two miles back from the river, containing about 200 acres each. From various unsubstantiated accounts, several people appear to have occupied lands in this place before any permanent settlement; however, after the arrival of the Spring Fleet of 1783 things changed.

Previous to settling in Lower Norton, William Frost acquired No. 6 of these lots. By deed dated October 22, 1799, he sold it for 12 pounds to Henry Jackson, who in turn sold it, in 1804, to David Brown Wetmore, who lived there with his family until 1820, when he moved to Norton. David's son Justus S. Wetmore then became owner of lots 3, 4 and 5, while lots 6, 7 and 8 were eventually acquired by David Wetmore, James W. Puddington and Joseph Flewelling, respectively.

Two miles down river, at Moss Glen, a sawmill and a grist mill were built by Thomas Pettingell, who for a time owned lot No. 9 in Clifton, which included what became

known as Harrity's Hill and the principal part of the "mountain". The Pettingell Saw Mill, was a simple construction with a single saw, and operated day and night between 1807 and 1808, to meet the need for lumber for the growing community. In 1815, Justus S. Wetmore started building ships. As part of this operation, a sawmill was established by a stream flowing down from what became known as the Clifton "mill pond". The shipbuilding industry and the procurement of timber with which to build gradually drew many people to settle in the vicinity. Waddell's sawmill, grist mill and carding machine were established one mile up river, at Reeds Point,[1] so that settlers could have their grain ground, lumber sawn and wool carded close to home.

At a public meeting in 1852, "on a resolution in a regular vote", carried by a large majority, it was decided to name the village Clifton.[2] However, boundaries for the village were not particularly specified at that meeting. In fact, they were not decided definitely until the New Brunswick school assessment law of 1872 made it necessary. About the time the village received a name, a post office was also established. Three of the main components were in place for a lively community of the Victorian era: employment, school, and official identity with a name and post office.

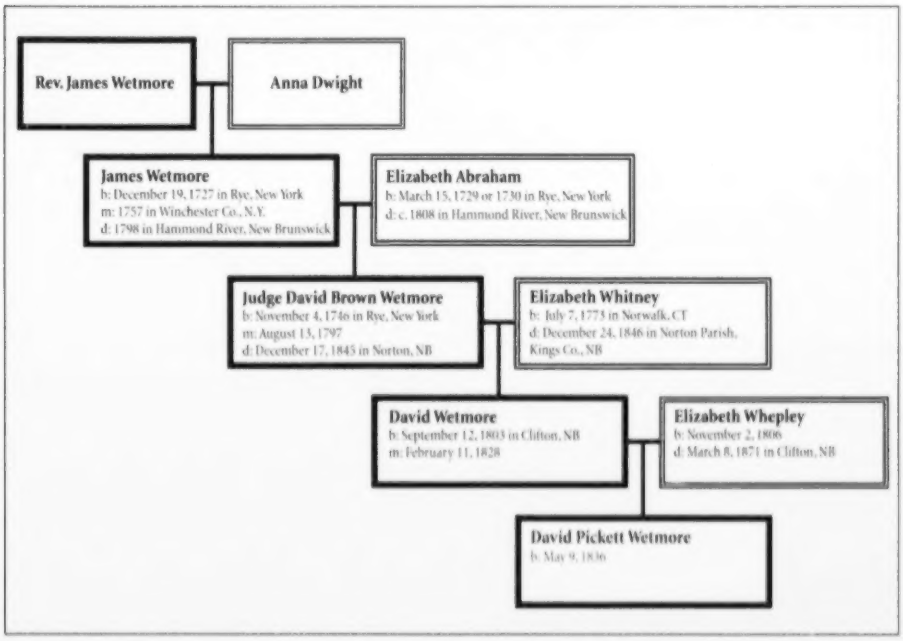
The Wetmore Diaries

The Diary of David Pickett Wetmore

1870–1880

First generation New Brunswick born. These are (a few of) the grandsons of Loyalist David Brown Wetmore. Left to right: Howard Douglas Wetmore, Ernest P. Flewelling, David P. Wetmore, Ormond Flewelling and Julian B. Wetmore. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Ancestors of David Pickett Wetmore



Family Genealogy

Reverend James Whitmore (1695–1760, son of Izrahiah) and Anna Dwight (1697–1718, daughter of Reverend Josiah) seem to be the main connectors of the Clifton Wetmores. They had six children: James (1727), Alethea (1730), Anne (1732), Charity (1734), Esther (1736) and Timothy (1737). James married Elizabeth Abrahams, a United Empire Loyalist, and they had twelve children, of which, it seems, three sons and one daughter, as well as a daughter-in-law, settled in New Brunswick. Judge David Brown Wetmore, Caleb Wetmore and Esther (Wetmore) Puddington settled in Kings County.

The children of David Brown Wetmore and Eliza (Whelpley) Wetmore include George Canning (1828), Charlotte Annabella (1830), Caroline Elizabeth (1831), Mary Almira (1832), Eliza Jane (1833), Richard Whelpley (1834), **David Pickett (1836)**, William Wallace (1837), Edwin Marshall (1838), Charles Hiram (1839), Agnes Lavinia (1840), **Howard Douglas (1841)**, James Elias (1842), Hannah Olive (1844), Augustus Frederick (1845), Celia Augusta (1846) and Julian Brunswick (1847).

So the Wetmores and the Puddingtons are related, all with large healthy families. Add to that the Flewelling Loyalists, neighbours and relatives back in Connecticut, and it becomes extremely difficult to sort out. Wetmore genealogists are the first to agree!

David Pickett Wetmore married Rebecca Araminta Flewelling at Trinity Church, in Kingston, on September 9, 1862. During the high days of shipbuilding, he acquired the large Georgian-style house in Clifton, which still stands today. It had been built as a boarding house for the shipyard workers. A door separated the main hall on the ground floor from the common room where boarders ate their meals. On the second floor, there was a warren of small bunk rooms and an exit ramp leading onto the back hill for the boarders coming and going. At the time, David and Rebecca operated a store out of their home. They later moved to the James Puddington property, which had a house dating from 1805.

David was an active and energetic man who made many improvements to his land and became a leading scientific farmer. He is credited with the development of the octagonal berry box and the "duck bill" strawberry hoe. He was also an enthusiastic supporter of the Agricultural Society, a leader in the temperance movement, a prominent Freemason, a lieutenant-colonel in the Kings County Militia, an Anglican church warden, and treasurer of the Trinity Church Corporation for many years.

David Pickett Wetmore's diary. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

This book has two sections. The first section is the diary of David Pickett Wetmore, which covers the years 1870 to 1879. The second one begins with 1864 but is mainly a day book for the business of Wetmore & Puddington, a rural country store that operated in Clifton for several years. Chronological gaps between entries in the diary are found in the original document which appears in its entirety. David Pickett Wetmore's diary[1] is handwritten, mainly in black ink, and each entry has been either signed or initialled. It begins:

Diary Commencing Nov. 7 1870

Nov. 7 1870 Snowed some today but was quite mild. The fall has been remarkably mild so far, but with very high winds. Finished covering the raspberries today. Have not got strawberries covered yet. Got about two acres plowed and would like to get more if it keeps favourable. Mr. Padgett is doing my plowing and is a very good hand. D.P. W. [David Pickett Wetmore]

Nov. 8 1870 Mild all day today but cloudy. Got out manure on strip above barn & hen coop today. Have just returned from Masonic Lodge. Joseph L. Flewelling was married today to Eliza Flewelling. D.P. W.

Nov. 9 1870 Mild & cloudy all day with wind from south. Got out some more manure, & piece plowed that was manured yesterday. Got all strawberries covered that are in field below hall with buckwheat straw. Have just returned from Templar's' Lodge. Had a very pleasant meeting.
D.P. Wetmore

Thursday Nov. 10 1870 A rainy day but cleared off towards night, but is raining again this evening. Got strawberries covered with straw in old garden and opened foot of drain across field below hall. Thanksgiving Day and had no school today.
D.P. Wetmore

Friday Nov. 11 1870 Rained all day mixed with snow in the morning, is raining now.
D.P. W.

Saturday Nov 12 1870 Misty all day with wind from North West. Got a short drain 2 rods dug across at head of field above coop and filled by Padgett & Crawford. Was over to Nat Gorham's sale & bought a stack of hay on Grassy Island. The men also put some leaves & brush on strawberries.

Sunday Nov. 13 1870 Cloudy in the morning & cleared off towards night, but very mild all day. Is now freezing now. Have just returned from Service at Hall, there were a good many there & Mr. Scovil preached.

Monday Nov. 14 1870 Padgett & Crawford were getting out stone on piece above Hall which I intend to plow this fall for buckwheat. Strawberries not all covered yet.

Tuesday Nov 15 1870 Rainy with wind from North West but cleared off towards night. Did nothing outside today got some wood out in the wood-house.

Thursday Nov 17 1870 A very fine day A little frost last night but thawed out again today. Got more bush on strawberries & got some more stone out for plowing. Was over to Kierstead's last night to a surprise party.

Friday Nov. 18, 1870 A cloudy day with wind from Southward. Padgett was plowing piece above Hall[3] but did not get done. Got nearly all berry plants covered with brush today.

Saturday A rainy day with wind from eastward. Was doing odds & ends Padgett helping me. Got some turnips & carrots over from barn.

Sunday A fine day. Froze a little in the night but thawed during the day and is now muddy & like spring weather. Have just come from Service at the Hall. Was not at Kingston today.

Monday Nov 21 1870 A mild day with wind from Southward. Got remainder of strawberries covered and some plowing done on sod land above Hall. Have just got back from a visit to Osborn M. Flewelling's.

Tuesday Nov 22 A fine day but a little cool Froze a little last night and thaw all again today. Got some more plowing done this afternoon but did not get quite done. Commenced to open a short drain above plowed field.

Wednesday Nov 23 1870 A stormy day – wind from South East with rain. Was at Templar's Lodge this evening had a good meeting but it was muddy walking. Flewelling Merritt was there having just returned from England.

Thursday Nov 24 1870 A fine day but getting cool – is freezing hard tonight. Got drain finished at head of field today and commenced to clear out one around old house.

Friday Nov 25 1870 A fine day and quite warm got drain partly filled around house.

Saturday Nov 26 A rainy day and mild. Was at Kingston on Assessing business today and attending Agriculture Society[4] Meeting.

Sunday Nov 27 A fine day & mild. Did not freeze any last night. Mr. Scovil preached in Hall this evening.

Monday Nov 28 A fine day but a little cooler – got drain finished around old house – it makes a great improvement in the appearance of the place.

Tuesday Nov 29 Fine in the morning but snowed in the afternoon although not very cold – froze pretty hard last night. Padgett commenced to thresh for me this afternoon

Wednesday Nov 30 1870 A fine day – Froze quite hard last night river not frozen yet… About 3 inches of snow fell.

Thursday Dec. 1 1870 A mild day although it froze a little last night skimming the river slightly, but it was all gone again before night.

Friday Dec. 2 1870 A beautiful day. The river skimmed over again last night but thawed again today.

Saturday Dec 3 1870 A fine day but windy and cool. Arranged for Padgett to cut cordwood for me – repaired drain under manure shed & hauled up boat and turned her upside down & covered with brush Appears as if the river would freeze over tonight.

Sunday Dec. 4 1870 A very fine day but looks like snow to night. Service at Hall this evening & collection taken for organ. River froze over last night as far down as ferry.

Thursday Dec. 8 1870 Did not snow any to speak of yet. But is snowing tonight with wind from Northeast. Has not frozen very hard yet. River is not frozen. Padgett finished threshing today

Saturday Dec 17 1870 Was in Saint John today. Drove down in the wagon & crossed the ferry, the river is not frozen yet but looks as if it would freeze tonight. Expect to have a school examination next Friday & was getting some prizes today.

The sail ferry from Reeds Point to Gondola Point, on the Kennebecasis River. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Wednesday March 1 1871 It snowed some this morning but cleared of the afternoon & we had a pleasant evening. Masonic Lodge[5] met in Clifton Hall today, had a public meeting this evening had a pleasant time.

Wednesday March 8 Mrs. David Wetmore died today was confined to her bed only one week. David went to Saint John this afternoon.

Saturday March 11th 1871 Mrs. Wetmore was buried today. There was a very large funeral it was very good waggoning.

May 12 1871 Set 49 apple trees on the 27 & 29 of April. Got them from Nova Scotia and they appear very much dried about the roots doubtful if they will all grow. Have set about 5000 strawberry plants this spring commenced the 29th April & finished today. Wm. Padgett has been at work for me since the 20th of April. W.W. Wetmore has been at work for me since 8th inst. Planted a few peas & potatoes on May 4 above the house. 5th inst. stormy, rain, snow & hail 6th inst. Flewelling & comp. launched their vessel, was in Kingston making up assessment list. Took brush off strawberries on April 28. Have left straw on those that had it on. Commenced to uncover raspberry plants on May 3 & finished May 9. Monday 8th inst. got board fence finished above Hall. Tuesday 9 sowed seed & a lot turnip. 10th planted potatoes over to rows for corn, attended the funeral of Hannah P. Flewelling at Kingston – after coming from the funeral set a lot of plants received from states. 11th sowed a piece of Norway Oats below Hall, commenced plowing piece of buckwheat stubble. 12th continued plowing at piece and got about half done. W.W. Wetmore hoed most of strawberries in garden & planted corn, beans & pumpkins.

Saturday May 13 1871 Warm in the morning and quite cool in the afternoon. Padgett continued plowing at piece of buckwheat stubble & did not get quite done. Will & self hoed part of strawberries at the top of hill and set out about 252 hills of raspberries on a piece near barn above. Spaded up a square rod for onion bed in the evening but did not set out the onions. Went to Kingston in evening & did not get back until 11 o'clock. Planted bush bean between row of raspberries.

Sunday May 14 1871 Showery to day & cold with wind from N.W. Attended Service at Hall this evening.

Monday May 15 1871 A fine day. Padgett finished plowing piece about barns. Got part of rasp. tied up in forenoon and then commenced planting potatoes on piece just plowed. Bought some manure from G Merritt @ 1.00 per load & got 3 loads of it this afternoon.

Wednesday May 17 1871 [sic] Stormy in fore part of day but cleared off towards night. Got some work done at strawberry boxes in morning & then got about ¾ of raspberries staked and tied up. Took up 200 strawberry plants Scarlet Magnolia & sent to C.W. Fairweather at Rothesay, got remainder of garden spaded up.

Tuesday May 16 1871 [sic] A fine day. Sowed oats on part of newly plowed piece next Hall. Norway Oats on side next Hall & remainder common oats, used sulfur phosphate for manure. Got a few more potatoes planted ½ bush of apples.

Thursday May 18 1871 A fine day. Got some more of rasp. tied up in morning and got manure out & planted all of potatoes except four rows, there are 29 long rows.

Friday May 19 1871 Finished planted potatoes have got in about 1 ¼ acres & planted about 8 bushels of seed cut fine there are about near 3 bush of 'early rose', about 2½ of 'silver dollar', about ½ bush. of 'garnet chili', ½ bush. of coppers, ½ bush of 'goodrich' & about on bush of 'carters'. Also planted 2 potatoes of an Irish variety, that J.F. Merritt brought from Ireland. Got remainder of rasp. staked & tied as far as strings went, will have to get about 5 lbs more of string. Finished hoeing piece of strawberries at top of Hill. Commenced to put in turnips between oats & potatoes got 6 rows in. Gave Nathaniel Crawford a contract to dig a drain 20 rods long for $5.00… commenced today. Pulled 24 lbs Rhubarb to take to market tomorrow.

Saturday May 20 1871 Very windy & looked like a storm in the morning but proved fine before night. Was in Saint John, got 5 cents for rhubarb. Will & Padgett finished planting turnips between oats & potatoes cleaned out ditch alongside of road and hoed over half of strawberries above coop.

Sunday May 21 1871 A fine day but windy with wind from southward. Service at Hall this afternoon Peas, turnip & carrots are up nicely. Ground is very dry, needs rain.

Monday May 22 1871 Cloudy all day but did not rain. Got remainder of rasp. tied up. Got rifles cleaned for inspection Will & Padgett remainder of day were getting stone together for drains. Pulled 22 lbs of rhubarb[10] to send to market tomorrow.

Tuesday May 23 1871 A stormy day but cleared off towards night. Sold 20 more rhubarb at 5 cents per lb. Got some berry box bottoms cut in forenoon and Will was working at ditches in afternoon Padgett was not at work. Norway oats below Hall well up.

Wednesday May 24 1871 A fine day but windy from Northwest. Was over to Capt. Langstroth's at a shooting match of Kings les Rifle Club. Men working at drains below Hall.

Thursday May 25 1871 A fine day but windy from southwest. No 1 company was inspected today. Cols. Otty & Beer were here to dinner. Shooting match here in afternoon. Padgett was hoeing strawberries sent off 300 strawberry plants.

May 26 [sic] A fine day & warm. Men working at ditches, got long one filled. Norway oats on buckwheat stubble are up. Pulled 20 lbs more of rhubarb.

Saturday May 27 1871 A variable day showery in the morning and fine later part of day. Men still working at ditches, about 5 rods more to dig. Strawberries in blossom in garden.

Digging ditches was an ongoing operation, especially for side-hill farmers. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Sunday May 28 1871 A fine day but looks like a storm now at night. Peas are up nicely and want hoeing. Turnips that were up are being destroyed by the fly. Carrots that were soaked have been up a week others not up yet.

Monday May 29 1871 A fine day. Men working at drains.

Tuesday May 30 1871 Men finished drains today. Mr. Wood examined school today. Had no school in afternoon & visited J.E. Flewelling's school with Mr. Wood. Mr. Scovil was with him at both schools. Warmest day of season very warm.

Wednesday May 31 1871 A fine day. Will went to work for Richard today @ J.S.W. Barn to put sills under it. Padgett was hauling off stone. Received a lot of apple trees from Sharp & Shea from Woodstock (45 trees) Set out above the barn after school. 20 New Brunswick, 4 Fameuse, 4 Alexander & one Duchess of Oldenburg in all 29 trees. Was at W.P.F's this evening. W.P.F. Jr was home & is 21 years of age today.

Thursday June 1 1871 A warm day.

Friday June 2 1871 A warm day. Padgett commenced plowing piece for buckwheat got about ½ done strawberries in old garden in full bloom others not so far advanced.

Saturday June 3 1871 A very warm day. Padgett plowed in forenoon but it being too hot he did not plow in afternoon. Got my boat off & sent her over the river to be repaired by Mr. Sharp. Turnips all killed by fly will have to sow over again.

Sunday June 4 1871 A very warm day. A slight shower towards night. Strawberries at top of hill mostly blossomed.

Monday June 5 1871 A fine day with wind from northwest. Padgett finished plowing piece for buckwheat & was hoeing a little besides. Took some patterns up to the blacksmiths to get a cultivator made. Took 150 strawberry plants up to send away in the morning.

Saturday July 1 1871 A very fine day with wind from south In the afternoon David left yesterday for Brigade Camp Fredericton. Brought in a few ripe strawberries this afternoon from the old garden. R.A.W. [Rebecca Araminta Wetmore[11]]

Sunday July 2nd 1871 A fine day with very heavy wind from southwest. Was up to W.P.F.'s a while this afternoon G.F.W. & wife were there. Went to Service at Hall this evening. R.A.W.

Monday July 3rd 1871 Rained in the morning cleared off about 10 o'clock. Picked 32 qt. strawberries in the afternoon to send to St. John in the morning.
R.A.W.

Tuesday July 4 1871 A very fine day. R.A.W.

Wednesday July 5th 1871 A thunder shower in the morning. Cleared off about noon was very warm this afternoon. Picked 50 qt. berries this afternoon.
R.A.W.

Saturday April 20 1872 Justus went to St. John today, crossed on the ice got his horse in the ice near the shipyard coming home this evening. It has been a very pleasant day. David came home tonight somewhere about midnight. Julia Fairweather, Julia M., Edith , Fanny W., Addie & Em were here to tea tonight. There were several young gents here in the evening.

Friday April 26 Very dull this morning rained a little, David went up to Hampton to day expects to go to Sussex tomorrow. James & Ernest left here today for F'ton to attend the 'training school' They began to ferry here yesterday. David set out some current & gooseberry plants last evening. Had a thunder shower this evening.
R.A.W.

Saturday April 27th 1872 Very pleasant in the morning, a little showery in the afternoon set out my Dahlia bulbs this morning.

Saturday May 4th Was quite dull in the morning but quite pleasant this afternoon. David got home about noon. Took straw off the strawberries in old garden this afternoon. Took about 150 strawberry plants up for Mr. Sterrit.

Monday May 6th 1872 Dull in the forenoon but fine in the afternoon quite cold for the time of year. Raining quite heavily now with wind from northeast. The spring is very backward, have not planted anything yet. Swapped Tom, the horse, away on April 30 for a horse six years old sired by Flying Morgan. Was foaled June 11 1866 – call him Jack. Uncovered about half of strawberries today are looking well. Bought half ton of hay today from James Waddell & gave $20 per ton.

D.P. Wetmore

Tuesday May 7 1872 A rather dark day but pleasant in the afternoon – rained heavily last night. Repaired line fence in forenoon between father and my self uncovered remainder of strawberry plants in afternoon – they are all looking well. Uncovered a row or two of raspberries.

Wednesday May 8 1872 A beautiful day. Was inspecting superior schools in Norton and Hampton today & just got home. Charles was repairing line fence between my land & Edward, piling up wood that fell down and uncovering raspberries. Lodge met tonight but I did not attend. D.P.W.

Thursday May 9th 1872 A rather wet day. Plowed a little today but had to stop on account of rain. Am 36 years old today. Wife had a quilting in honour of the day. Nothing planted yet.

Friday May 10 1872 A fine day but cold. Got some more planting done in the afternoon and set about 100 strawberry plants in afternoon. Raspberries not all up yet.

Saturday May 11 1872 Fine in the morning but rain with thunder toward night. Got piece of Norway Oats in on hill today – sowed about, or nearly a bushel on ¾ acre. Set a few more strawberry, finished four rows. Was clearing away old fence about garden.

Monday May 13 1872 A cold day but not stormy. Was taking up 4000 strawberry plants for O.E. Flewelling – had father's man Vail helping Charlie – worked at it myself in the forenoon with them & we took up 2100. Visited Clifton school in the afternoon & then two took up a 1000.

Tuesday May 14 1872 Took up 1400 more plants in the morning to make out the complement for O.E.F & some more to sell – Visited Rothesay school in the forenoon & went to St. John in the afternoon taking plants with me 500 for Alex Morrison & 75 for Masters O.E. Flewelling were sent by train.

Wednesday May 15 1872 A fine day – staid in town over night. Got a side hill plow from Evert for $8.50, got a quantity of nails & had to give 5 & 6 cents for them – Did not get home 'till night – Charlie was taking up raspberries when I was away but only got about one half up.

Thursday May 16 1872 A cold day with a little rain. Commenced plowing with little side hill plow & it worked very well. Took up part of raspberries, the part on the hill & plowed in the afternoon. Cleared away old privy & fence posts & got ready for

planting some potatoes & c in garden. Got 4 crab apple trees today & set them on old road between this place & Merritt's.

Friday May 17 1872 Charlie plowing in the forenoon finished piece for strawberries & commenced piece for potatoes – plowed garden. Was writing my self part of forenoon & then manuring garden till noon. In afternoon Charlie & I took up remainder of raspberries & furrowed garden which I planted part in potatoes & part in peas & left some for corn & beans.

Saturday May 18 1872 A fine day but cold wind from west. Got a lot of manure from G. Merritt which he had hauled up the hill for four dollars – put it on the piece above his place and got it ready to set out over 500 hill of raspberries beginning next the field of raspberries above G.F. Whelpley's. Planted potatoes between the [?] the first 3 rows being Breesie's [Kenny] of the [carlies] & a fence in the head of the fourth. remainder were Early Rose. It took about over 1 bushel of cut seed. Finished setting out the raspberries about half past ten at night being bright moon light. Planted a few more peas in the garden. Planted a bed of cucumbers in the old garden. Charlie got a little more plowed on the piece above the barn for potatoes.

Sunday May 19 1872 A very fine day – warm & mild. Was at Kingston to church in the forenoon. Went up to W.P. Flewelling's in the evening.

Monday May 20 1872 A rainy day with wind from northeast. Charlie was not a work today. Mended a pair of shafts today & did some running around. It is still stormy looking.

Trinity Church and Loyalist Graveyard. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Tuesday May 21 1872 Wet all day but did not rain much. Charlie & I were digging a drain in the forenoon below the hen house near the house – did not get half done digging. Charlie was hauling out manure and I was setting raspberry plants in afternoon. Set 150 & planted potatoes between, have all set now above Mr. Merritt's piece – Cleared away an old plum tree at the foot of garden in evening.

Wednesday May 22 1872 A fine day set about 1000 strawberry plants & 450 raspberry plants at head of others next Merritt's, planted potatoes between raspberries. Got about ¼ acre ready for setting strawberry plants. Templars Lodge at Hall this evening but did not attend.

Thursday May 23 1872 Fine in the morning but wet in the afternoon. Planted corn and beans & beets in garden on hog manure. Wetmore Merritt was helping me this day to set plants. Set nearly 15 long rows today in all about 4000 plants. Upper part of first four rows were Downer's Prolific remainder Wilson.

Friday May 24 1872 A dull day with the land quite wet. Shifted the fence to the border of the school lot did not do anything with the land.

Saturday May 25 1872 Fine in the morning & stormy in afternoon. Helped Uncle George put up his stove & pipe in the forenoon – got ready 10 more rows for strawberries & got them about half set. Wetmore & Willard were setting part of day for me. Had to quit before night on account of rain.

Sunday May 26 1872 A very fine day. Did not get to church today but Araminta went to Hall in evening. Peas are up & oats up on the hill.

Monday May 27 1872 Finished setting rows of strawberries on side hill. Got piece ready for setting near hall but rain came on towards night & prevented setting. Uncle George helped me a while in the forenoon.

Tuesday May 28 1872 Wet in the morning & fine in the afternoon. Drove to St. John today. Charlie planted a row of potatoes next raspberries, took some stone off & dug a little in the ditch near the house.

Wednesday May 29 1872 Cloudy all day with a fine mist in the morning. Charlie was plowing nearly all day & setting plants toward night. Arranged the different varieties of strawberries before Merritt's barn & set about 100 Col. Cheem one row of Peak's Emperor, one row of Tromphe & two rows of Jucunda there. After dinner furrowed eleven rows for strawberries adjoining those on northeast side of house & set them finishing late at night – each row contained about 150 plants making in all something over 1600 plants – the first three were Scarlet Magnolia, the next one Kentucky with the exception of a few at the top being Jucunda, the next one Jucunda the next one Green Prolific and the next five Wilson. Mrs. O.E. Flewelling & Mr. & Mrs. I. Geo. F. Whelpley were here to tea this evening.

Thursday May 30 1872 A fine day Was writing most of day. Charlie plowed remainder of piece above house & got some rows furrowed for potatoes – got a few of the raspberries staked – set out a few more raspberries in small plot of strawberries at top of hill.

Friday May 31 1872 Cloudy in morning & stormy in afternoon – planted 7 rows of potatoes – Early Rose – Charlie was cutting wood in afternoon & I was writing.

Saturday June 1 1872 Quite fine today but land was wet. Severe shower of hail in the afternoon some of the hailstones would measure ½ inch in diameter. Planted 8 more rows of Early Rose potatoes.

Sunday June 2 1872 A stormy day and very cold with wind from north. Did not go to Kingston church, nor to the hall.

Monday June 3 1872 Stormy in the forenoon & fine in the afternoon – Still very cold, colder than I ever knew it for this time of year. Charlie was staking & tying up raspberries all day & left part of day tied up those by barn – part of those above Merritt's barn & 8 rows on the hill. They do not look very well – did not uncover them soon enough – should have been uncovered by May 5.

Tuesday June 4 1872 Staked tied up about 600 more hill raspberries being the balance & making it all about 1000 hills Those on the hill are very poor – do not think they will be half a crop. A few that were taken up earlier look very much better than the others. Ran the cultivator through ten rows of strawberries next to Merritt' piece & to top of hill – hoed them all but 2 rows did not begin till 3 o'clock. A few blossoms begin to show on plants in old garden.

Wednesday June 5 1872 A dull day & cloudy all day but did not rain – was planting potatoes all day – planted 17 more rows, nearly all Early Rose – 3 rows of Garnet Chili -3rows of Carter's & 2 rows of Silver Dollars. Attended Templars Lodge this evening. Have between ½ & ¾ of an acre planted to potatoes now.

Thursday June 6 1872 Stormy in the morning and fine in the afternoon. Very warm. Dug some more on the ditch by the house & hoed strawberries in the garden in the afternoon. Bought a pile of manure from Peter Kierstead for $8.00 lying next to Jas Waddell's – got wagon springs mended – O.E.F cultivator is finished (the iron work) & looks very well.

Friday June 7 1872 Storm in forenoon & fine in afternoon. Was working at ditch in forenoon & hoeing strawberries in afternoon – hoed old garden – Plants not very good there.

Saturday June 8 1872 Filled one ditch near house & got done about 10½ o'clock. Commenced then hoeing & cultivating strawberries – hoed 3000 old plants on northeast side of house and 11 rows next Merritt's – whole length part old but mostly new setting in all about 7000 plants. Cultivator works first rate.

Sunday June 9 1872 A fine warm day in fact very hot. Potatoes are just coming up. Was at Service in Hall in evening. Strawberries in old garden begin to show quite a number of blossoms but not in full bloom yet – others only have a few blossoms.

Saturday June 15 1872 Foggy in morning fine in after part of day. Has been a very wet week raining every day. Nearly finished hoeing raspberries today for first time. Got all the strawberries hoed for the first time during the week. Geo. L. Flewelling worked with me part of today. Strawberries in old garden in full bloom, others are a little behind yet.

Saturday June 22 [sic] A fine warm day has been dry & warm for several days. Put in an acre of Buckwheat above hall yesterday & commenced to put in turnips today got in 12 rows next potatoes. Geo. Flewelling has been working for me this week. Have got all the newly set raspberries hoed finished them today. Got all the strawberries in [bearing] order hoed for second time & got part of them mulched with straw. Brushed early peas today.[12]

Monday May 26 1873 Just finished planting four rows of corn above hen house on hog manure. Did not put any beans with it but put squash seeds in every other hill. In the lower ends of the rows & pumpkin seeds in the upper end. It is planted of corn from several different people as follows.: – beginning at lower end of rows: – 1 hill in each row, southern corn from Rev. D.W. Pickett, next 1 " " yellow corn from Jas. Kierstead, Bellisle, 1 " " white corn from Jas. Kierstead, Bellisle, 8 " " Yellow Corn from Isaac Sharp, Studholm, 25 " " Yellow Corn from Miles Jenkins, Kars, 20 " " Yellow Corn from Geo. F Whelpley. The first & second lots from the bottom & a part of the third have sulfur phosphate on and the others have not. Finished this day also planting carrots & beets which was begun on the 24th sowed ten rows next before the corn of which is beets. On the 23rd inst. finished setting strawberry plants. Have set this spring in all about 9000 plants of which 4000 are in 17 rows next school lot & 5000 in 18 rows up & down the hill between house & Merritt's lot. Old strawberry plants look very well this spring. Have about 20000 plants ready for bearing set this spring about 240 hills of Asparagus plants in kitchen garden. It is up and doing well. Have sent off two lots of rhubarb to market one of which, 46 lbs. went on the 21st inst. & the other 64 lbs today. Set this spring from Sharp & Shea's nursery 156 apple trees. See list on first pages of this book.[13] W.F. Flewelling had a [tin] Wedding this evening.

Tuesday May 27 1873 A cloudy day wind from the southwest. Finished driving rasp. stakes today. Have now 2300 stakes set although only about 1000 of these hills are in bearing order for this year. Grafted 5 seedling apples with New Brunswick & 7 crab trees. The crab apple trees are just set out & do not look much like growing.

Wednesday May 28 1873 Cloudy & foggy all day Arthur & I were building fence between pasture & plowed field above Hall & did not get quite done. Tied up the grapevine to night it looks very well. W.P.F's Blacksmith shop burned last night. He has a large ship[14] on the stocks expecting to launch next Saturday but this will probably prevent him.

Thursday May 29 1873 A fine day finished making fence above Hall & Hoed & cultivated strawberries in old garden and ten rows next to Merritt's lot. Those in garden are blossoming a little the others look very well but are not so far advanced. Hoed peas & asparagus.

Friday May 30 1873 Rainy in morning & fine in afternoon. Fitted up a hot bed and got some cutting in it to start. Planted four rows of potatoes next corn & cultivated & hoed 4 long rows of strawberries and rasp. & corn below Merritt's Barn & 8 rows to northeast of house.

Saturday May 31 1873 A fine day. Murray Belyea was helping on of day today. Hoed all the strawberries between house & Hall & remainder of long rows between house & Merritt's. The only piece not dressed out now is the small patch at the top of the hill.

Monday June 2 1873 A very fine day but cold. Finished putting in the potatoes above barn and got part of the small piece of old strawberries on the hill cultivated and hoed. Murray Belyea & Arthur were working for me but I went myself to Hampton in the afternoon & did not get back till late at night. Belyea 1 day.

Tuesday June 3 1873 A fine day. The ground is getting very dry. Finished the old strawberries on the hill & got ¾ of the newly set plants hoed about ten rows next the hall not finished yet. Was engaged myself with school business in the forenoon & worked with the others in the afternoon. Belyea 1 day.

Wednesday June 4 1873 W.P.F launched a ship[15] of about 1100 tons this afternoon. Jas. N. Wetmore commenced work with me today & worked one half a day. Murray Belyea was not here today. Finished hoeing newly set strawberries got about 3 long rows hoed & J.M.W. ½ day

Thursday June 5 1873 A dull day today. G. Merritt launched his ship[16] this afternoon. Put in half an acre of potatoes today above hall. Belyea & Henry were both here besides Arthur. Finished the potatoes before night & finished hoeing long rows of raspberries. Belyea 1 day. J.H. Wetmore 1 day.

Friday June 6 1873 A dull day. Was putting in turnips above hall, got in about ¾ of an acre on the Buckwheat stubble then expect to put in enough more to make a little over an acre. Arthur ran the cultivator through remainder of raspberries after tea to night. Strawberries begin to show blossoms but are not in full bloom yet. They look very well with exception of the old garden.

Saturday June 7 1873 A dull day & storm towards night. Was in St. John & Howard was with me – got quite wet coming home. Got all the raspberries hoed but 14 rows in piece on hill, they are looking well.

Sunday June 8 1873 A fine day. At Service in Hall this evening. We have a good Sunday School here now it opens at 9 o'clock in the morning. Corn is just coming

up that was planted 26th May. Carrot seed that is beginning to show that was planted on May 24th. Strawberries in garden are nearly full bloom. They run a little ahead of what they were last year.

Monday June 9 1873 A dull day with wind from northeast. Got peas brushed & remainder of turnips in above hall there are 78 long rows & a few short ones being just about one acre altogether. Part of the carrots and the beets are nicely up.

Tuesday June 10 1873 A fine day although a little cloudy in the morning. Henry & Arthur finished hoeing rasp. for the first time. Sowed about ½ an acre of a new variety of buckwheat above the hall. It is said to ripen in from 6 to 8 weeks from sowing. Henry had the horse cultivating for Mrs. Merritt ¼ day. A large portion of the strawberries are now in full bloom & looking very well.

Wednesday June 11 1873 A dull day with rain part of the day. Finished harrowing buckwheat today. Working at berry boxes & machines rest of day. Arthur was sprouting potatoes most of day.

Thursday June 12 1873 A very fine day with wind from northwest. Got field on hill harrowed for buckwheat. Henry was digging ditch at side of road & Arthur went to Rothesay for a lb of sulfur phosphate but did not get it. Strawberries are in full bloom.

Saturday June 14 1873 A very fine day. Returned from Springfield this afternoon where I had been for two days on school business. Henry & Arthur got the middle posts put into the fence above the hall put six cords of wood into the wood house, finished digging the ditch along side the road from house & this evening we filled it. G. Merritt's team plowed the field on the hill for me today.

Sunday June 15 1873 A stormy day. Sunday school was not large – only three teachers present. There was no Service in the hall in the afternoon. Turnips are up above hall having only been planted a week.

Monday June 16 1873 Foggy in the morning but fine in the afternoon. Was cutting blossoms off newly set plants and getting buckwheat on hill. Strawberries are looking very well – blossoms are beginning to fall off. Corn is up nicely and looks well. Sowed buckwheat on top of hill.

Tuesday June 17 1873 Storm in the forenoon but fine in the afternoon. Was getting berry boxes made in fore part of day & line fence repaired next Ed Flewelling in afternoon. Went to St. John this evening to attend a grand concert there. Did not think much of it after attending it.

Wednesday June 18 1873 Returned from St. John this afternoon. Henry & Arthur were hoeing plants today. Has been fine all day. Pulled 112 lbs rhubarb to night & send to St. John tomorrow.

Thursday June 19 1873 A dull day but did not rain. Was engaged making berry boxes & fitting up machine. Sowed grass seed on top of hill.

Thursday June 26 1873 A fine day, has been fine for some time. Just finished hoeing raspberries for second time they are looking very well. Buckwheat is up nicely on the hill. Commenced hoeing turnips above Hall they are looking very well. Norman Puddington was working with me today & will be here tomorrow if it is fine.

Sunday May 9 1875 Am 39 years old today. Commenced to uncover strawberry plants 3rd inst. & finished on the 7th inst. Have about 2½ acres in bearing order this year all being in long rows, ten between rasp. & N.J.F's place & then 6 rows of rasp. and strawberries from that to lane from barn to pasture. All between house & school lot is in strawberries. Made new road last fall to go up the hill in circular direction extending out to near hall lot through strawberry field, threw out the earth and filled in with stone thrown earth over it makes good roadway. Got out about 160 loads of black mud last winter. Strawberries are looking well this spring snow having been constant last winter. Ice went out of the river last week & the spring is a little backward. Last winter was the coldest that has been known in a long time. Have sold quite a number of strawberries this spring to date. Sold nearly $20 worth of rhubarb roots this spring. Rhubarb is looking forward and will soon be fit for market. Removed the old barn from the lot near R.J.F's last spring & last evening commenced to set it out in strawberries. – got five rows set. Commenced to take up the raspberries on the 7th inst. & have about ¾ up now Have about an acre set in raspberries. Made a hot bed this spring & have some plants quite forward in it now. Changed flower garden last year from foot of strawberry lot to old garden in front of the house. Did not take all the old garden for it but set remainder in rhubarb. The garden did very well last year & is looking promising now. Planted a few early peas & potatoes on the 1st of May in kitchen garden. W.P. Flewelling Esq., who had been boarding with us since May last, at which time his large house on the hill burned, died on the 26th of March last and was buried on the 28th, which was Easter Monday. Adela his daughter, his daughter who married a Mr. Stewart, from Ontario, is very ill with a cancerous tumor & not expected to live. She is in Toronto now & O.E. Flewelling, her brother has gone on to see her. Mrs. W.P. Flewelling is boarding with us still. We had a beautiful bed of crocuses in the garden this spring in full bloom about the middle of April. There are some in bloom yet. We have seven beds of tulips & they show buds now. Took the brush off the rose bushes in the garden on the 6th of May. It has been a cold chilly day.

Monday May 10th It has been very foggy all day rained a little this evening. Fred went to Hampton for a load of berry box bottoms today. Arthur & Henry have been setting out strawberry plants were old barn used to be.

Tuesday May 11th It has been very warm today seems quite like gardening. David went to Sussex yesterday has not got home yet. Arthur, Henry & Fred finished taking up raspberries today R.A.W.

Wednesday May 12 Have been in Norton, Sussex since Monday examining schools. Henry & Fred were manuring land above hall Wednesday & Arthur was driving stakes for rasp. Fine.

Thursday May 13 1875 Went to Reach today for 400 apple trees that have come from Sharp & Shea. Came home by Joseph Gorham's & left part of them with him, did not get home till late, rained heavily last night but was fine today. Henry & Fred putting manure on land above hall & Arthur getting out plants to fill orders.

Friday May 14 1875 A fine day. Manuring piece above hall in forenoon & henry plowing it in afternoon. Set 20 of the trees I got from Sharp & Shea to day & heeled in remainder. Set a lot of gooseberry & current back of barn. Getting up plants to fill order in afternoon. Early tulips are beginning to bloom in garden. Daises & pansies are in full bloom. Some strawberry blossoms today.

Saturday May 15 1875 Fine in morning but cloudy & rainy towards night. Set 18 crab apple trees around flower garden & 7 New Brunswick alongside of road from house to wood. Set 3 rows next J.E.F's line, 17 & 16 each, of Alex. & one of 16 New Brunswick in all 74 trees today making with what were set before of the lot got this spring 94 trees. Commenced to set strawberries above hall & got about 1000 set planted about ½ of an acre of potatoes between them & Edward's line. Planted a few peas in short rows next Edward's line. Got seeds from Vick today & planted quite a number in hot bed this evening. Rhubarb is almost fit to pull.

Sunday May 16 1875 This has been a dull drizzly day & cold for this time of year. It is not raining now but it is foggy. Daniel Reardon died on Wednesday last & was buried yesterday.

Monday May 17 1875 A fine day but cold. Set apple trees as follows today: 2 Red Antrachon & 2 Saps of Wine among rocks below piece of strawberries on NE side of house, 18 Summer Harvey among rhubarb on NE side of garden, 14 New Brunswick in strawberries above Hall being row on SW side of patch & 1 Alex. in lower end of same row, 37 in all today making with what were already set this spring 131 trees. Arthur finished setting strawberry plants in piece above Hall making in all 17 rows averaging about 175 to a row in all 2975 Wilson plants. Henry & Fred were hauling manure part of today & Henry plowing awhile & then driving rasp. stakes. Peas are just coming up in vegetable garden.

Tuesday May 18 1875 Fine till towards night when it commenced to rain with wind from eastward. Henry was plowing piece for oats above Hall and Fred & Arthur were digging a drain in piece above Hall on which I intend to set strawberries. Did something at garden myself, planted some Convolvulus & Gropeolum seed around & set some Gladiolus bulbs.

Wednesday May 19 1875 A dull day. Got stone off meadow land on hill towards night. Fred was not here today. Attended Lodge this evening.

Thursday May 20 1875 A dull day & rained towards night. Henry & Arthur got stone off school lot & did a little at drain above Hall. Went myself by train to Norton Station & thence by team to visit No. 4 school Hammond got back to Norton Station again at night & got a wetting.

Friday May 21 1875 Dull in morning & fine in afternoon. Henry & Arthur were working at drain all day and got it nearly all stoned up. Got home myself at about half past ten & after that was getting out strawberry plants to fill orders.

Saturday May 22 1875 Comparatively fine day but cool Erasmus Wetmore & Stephen Wetmore were helping me today. Finished drain and got corn, beans & peas planted & also some potatoes next strawberries above Hall on SW side in all 8 rows of Scarlet Magnolia on the SW side of that again. Will set a few more. Quite a number of tulips are in bloom of the Due van Hol & single early variety Set a few things in garden this evening.

Sunday May 23 1875 A very fine day & warm. Tulips in garden are looking very well today. [Due van Hol] Single early & Double Tulips are in bloom. Set nearly all by Flewelling. Julia and Miss Gossline were up from St. John today.

Monday May 24 1875 A fine day but cold & wind from southwest. Got up plants to fill orders for M Domville & Mrs. Whelpley. In forenoon & after noon dug a short drain to connect with up of drain along hall. Henry & Fred hauled out the balance of manure from pile & chopped down the pile of ice under it. Finished setting strawberry plants today. Have set in all this spring 4000 plants about 2900 Wilsons & about 1100 Magnolia. Planted about 2? bush. potatoes this evening which will finish planting for this spring. Got piece plowed where old road was above barn & the part near Ash House planted in potatoes. Set 5 dahlia roots today 2 at end of house, one on the bank near steps, one near rock & one on SW side of road leading to main road. Planted 3 Gladiolus bulbs in bed at end of house. Tulips were beautiful today R.M. Wetmore has bought the homestead of the late W.P Flewelling & expects to move on it soon.

Tuesday May 25 1875 A fine day. Put out some gladiolus & dahlias & helped Rev. D. I. Wetmore set some strawberry plants. Most of the day men were driving stakes & tying up raspberry's. Henry was plowing piece for oats above hall it will take half a day more to finish it.

Wednesday May 26 1875 A fine day interspersed with thunder showers. Henry & Fred finished plowing piece above hall for oats & got ashes on it for manure. Arthur was tying up rasp plants & Stephen hauling stakes from lower yard. Put in some cabbage plants today & arranged the garden. Time early peas were hoed. Got up a lot of rhubarb for market this evening which Henry will take to St. John tomorrow morning.

Thursday May 27 1875 A very fine day. Set 7 more apple trees on the head of the row next house on the SW side of house all of the [Fameun] Variety. This with 131

set before makes 138 trees set this spring of the following varieties: 37 New Brunswick, 25 Fameun, 34 Alexander, 19 Summer Harvey, 3 Red [Astrachan], 2 Sops of Wine, 18 Crab Apple trees = 138 in all. Henry was in St. John today & brought up a load of groceries. He took down 88 lbs rhubarb at 5 cents & flowers sold fairly. Sowed oats & got them harrowed in on piece above hall today. Finished staking raspberries but did not get them all tied. Commenced to cultivate strawberries on piece above barn. They are looking well.

Friday May 28 1875 A very fine day but windy. There was a heavy fire in St. John today or rather Portland. Portland church was burned with a great number of houses. Finished tying raspberries today and in the afternoon commenced to hoe strawberries & hoed about half acre. They should have been hoed sooner.

Saturday May 29 1875 A fine day with wind from northeast. Part of the hands were hoeing strawberries all day and part were planting some beets & carrots above the hall. Put in five rows of carrots & 2 rows of beets. Got all the strawberries hoed on the SW side of house but 7 rows next Robert J.F. There is about an acre & a half hoed now. Got a new style of hoe,[17] which I invented, from Justus Wetmore & it works well. Strawberry plants are looking fairly & bid fair to give a good crop. R.E. Puddington & wife were here this evening. He is quite feeble although better today than he has been for some time.

Sunday May 30 1875 A very fine & warm day. Was at Kingston Church today & Joseph E. Flewelling who has been lately ordained preached his first sermon there, the church was quite full. Plants are looking well very few blossoms showing.

Monday May 31 1875 A very fine day. Finished hoeing old strawberries first time today & got stone off oat field ready for rolling. Hoed asparagus & early peas. Asparagus does not look very well. Some of the dahlias are up & looking finely that wise. Scraped the top off potato rows next Edward's line today.

Tuesday June 1 1875 A very fine day and very dry. Sowed grass seed on piece of oats above hall & had it rolled. Sowed a barrel of plaster on about ¾ of the piece on the SW end. Got newly set strawberries cultivated & hoed today there being about 4000 plants commenced cultivating & hoeing rasp. Got about ¾ of an acre cultivated and nearly the 6 long rows hoed. Everything is looking very well but it is very dry almost a drought. Was over to Quispamsis this afternoon to see about a school house.

Wednesday June 2 1875 A very fine day & dry. Got remainder of rasp. hoed was working about house myself. There was a spelling match in Clifton Hall this evening between married and single members of Clifton Lodge. Married members won.

Thursday June 3 1875 A very fine day & dry. Men were getting off stone from strawberry plants & cleaning up. Were out building a brush fence in latter half of afternoon.

Friday June 4 1875 A very fine day & dry. Finished brush fence across rear of pasture in forenoon. Made some cucumber beds & set tomatoes behind barn. Got up some rhubarb for market. Had another spelling match this evening. I had the future to come out ahead at both this & the preceding match. Set portulaca this evening.

Saturday June 5 1875 A fine day & still dry. Arthur and I were in St. John today. Arthur sold about 200 lbs rhubarb in the market & I realized about 2½ cents per lb for it. John & Henry sprouted some potatoes, hoed rhubarb & hoed part of last years set strawberry plants. Some of the strawberry's back of house are beginning to show quite white with blossoms. Arrange with Puddington to take strawberries for this year. Planted some squash seed in bed back of barn this evening.

Sunday June 6 1875 It looked like rain today but did not rain. The drought is getting quite serious. If we do not have rain soon it will seriously affect the strawberry as well as other crops. Old set strawberries on the NE side of the house are in full bloom now.

Monday June 7 1875 Fine in the morning but commenced to rain in the afternoon and now at 10 o'clock is raining steadily. It is an excellent thing in the country as it was very much needed indeed corn, beans & pumpkins are well up. Commenced to hoe strawberries again & got nearly an acre hoed before the rain came on. They are looking quite well. About ½ of mine are in full bloom.

Tuesday June 8 1875 Fine all day but the land was a little wet from the rain yesterday. Sent Fred to Dury's Cove for a load of ashes. Henry finished cultivator and John made a Wagon seat. Everything looks well after the rain.

Wednesday June 9 1875 A dull day but not stormy. Got some hoeing done today & got wagon repaired. Set stock & some other flowers in the garden this evening. Had a meeting at my office and formed a fruit growers association called the Clifton Fruit Growers Association.

Thursday June 10 1875 Dull in the forenoon and stormy in the afternoon, got some manure hauled up the hill in the forenoon and some carpenter work done in afternoon. Quite a heavy rain this evening.

Friday June 11 1875 A dull day but the sun shone for a while during the day. The men were getting stones off a piece of land above the meadows on top of the hill. I expect to break up a piece of land there and put it into buckwheat this year. All the strawberries maybe said to be in full bloom now except the plants set last year. Rasp. are beginning to look well. Pulled a lot of rhubarb to send to St. John by Justus today.

Saturday June 12 1875 Dull & foggy all day. Got about ½ of an acre plowed on the hill for buckwheat. Fred was not here in the afternoon.

Sunday June 13 1875 Dull & foggy all day & rained toward night. Was at Kingston church today. Strawberry plants are looking white with blossoms all except the last year set ones. There is promise of an excellent crop.

Monday June 14 1875 Cold & windy but not wet. Working at buckwheat field in forenoon and at hoeing strawberry plants in afternoon have about ? acre to hoe yet for second time.

Tuesday June 15 1875 A fine day but not very warm. Finished hoeing strawberries for the second time. Last years set one may now be said to be in full bloom. Plowed a piece for turnips but am afraid that it is so wet that I will have to put buckwheat on it.

Wednesday June 16 1875 A very fine day. Got about [½] of an acre ready for buckwheat on the hill by this evening. Fred & Arthur were getting stone off strawberry lots part of day & hoeing corn & beans. Last years set plants can hardly be said to be in full bloom yet. Attended Templars Lodge this evening & there was a very good meeting.

Thursday June 17 1875 A very fine day. Sent to Dury's Cove for a load of ashes and got my wagon broken down on the road home. The other three men were taking stones off strawberries. Strawberries still show very white blossoms.

Friday June 18 1875 Dull & rain in the afternoon sowed buckwheat on hill about ½ acre of rough & a small piece for E.M.F. Did not get it all harrowed. At noon today a bear & two cubs were seen by Mrs. M.A. Wetmore and the neighbourhood was alarmed & turned out to kill them. I have been after them all the afternoon. We brought them to bay three times & saw them but unfortunately did not kill them. They are in the woods about the sugar loaf. Many people are watching tonight to keep them there & they will be hunted tomorrow.

Saturday June 19 1875 Rainy all day. About 30 or 40 men were out all day hunting for the bear but did not find them. It was very wet in the woods & I apparently got quite a cold by it. Set a few petunias and asters in the garden this evening.

Sunday June 20 1875 A fine day. Minta & I went to St. John this evening so that she could take the American boat as she is going to Ontario to see her sister Addie.

Monday June 21 1875 Minta & Julia Merritt left in the American boat this morning & I remained in town all day. The men got some more stone off the strawberry plants & cultivated & hoed all last years set strawberry plants in all about ½ an acre. They are looking well.

Tuesday June 22 1875 A fine day & very smoky. Put in a little piece of buckwheat on the SW side of piece above hall lot & seeded it down. Men got more stone off the land and cultivated & hoed some strawberry plants. Strawberry plants are still quite white with blossoms particularly the plants that were last year. Put four geraniums out in rustic vases in front of the house today.

Wednesday June 23 1875 Dull all day. Got stone off newly set plants & had them hoed. Sowed a few turnip seed back of barn. Set sage, parsley and sweet marjoram & sowed a few rows of lettuce. Put out the house flowered in garden today & set quite a number of seedlings in garden. Strawberry plants seem white with blossom yet.

Thursday June 24 1875 A dull day but not stormy. Men were taking stone off piece for buckwheat on hill. I was writing & fitting up garden got out some more seedlings & have nearly finished. The garden is looking well now. A few of the seedlings, such as marigold & [chemophola] are out in bloom. Heard from Minta today, she had got safely to Portland & was about to take the train on the Grand Trunk for Montreal. I hear children say they have found ripe strawberries wild. It will be some time before the cultivated ones are ripe.

Friday June 25 1875 There were several thunder showers today & it was very hot. Got the garden all cleared up & plants all set. Men did a little at buckwheat land on hill.

Saturday June 26 1875 A very fine day. Was fitting up rustic vases in garden today. Vases look very well. Men hoed all the potatoes except the lot by the house & hoed beets & carrots also corn. Commenced to hoe raspberries still show many blossoms.

Sunday June 27 1875 Dull in the morning but bright in the afternoon. Was up to Kingston Church today and at hall in the afternoon. Last years set strawberries still show many blossoms. There is not much prospect of having any strawberries before the 10th of the month.

Monday June 28 1875 A dull day with a little rain toward night. Fred & John were working at field for buckwheat ? of day with team & remainder of us were arranging for putting the water outside of the house & running it into the garden, got it all finished to night. Cleared off this evening & is quite fine now.

Tuesday July 6 1875 I have neglected writing in this diary for some time. I was away to Fredericton last week attending the meeting of the synod & diocesan church society & from there I went to Woodstock & visited Sharp & Shea's nursery & Mr. Gusvenn's farm at Eel River. The trip was very pleasant. Rasp. have all been hoed & we are getting runners off strawberries & taking out some weeds. Have got piece on hill nearly finished for buckwheat. Found a few ripe strawberries on Sunday & they are beginning to ripen a little more now but there will not be any worth mentioning this week.

Wednesday July 7 1875 Dull in the morning but fine in the afternoon. Finished plowing the piece on the hill and got it partly harrowed. Will likely get it sowed tomorrow. Got in a short piece of drain to drain door yard. Painted the light wagon & black on the express this evening. Berries are ripening a little but none ready for market yet. Garden is looking lovely now.

Thursday July 8 1875 A very fine hot day. The thermometer stood at 84° in the shade. Finished painting wagons today. Sowed buckwheat on remainder of piece on hill today. Part of the men were getting out weeds & pulling off runners from strawberry plants. A few begin to show ripe there will be a few for Saturday. Minta expects to get home on Saturday.

Friday July 9 1875 A fine day got wagons varnished, finished harrowing in buckwheat and got some boards hauled up for fence, two men were hoeing strawberries & pulling runners. Picked a lot today for the first & will take them into St. John tomorrow. Got a fountain pump from the states today. It works well.

Saturday July 10 A dull day. Was in St. John today & took down 71 lbs of strawberries the first from Clifton although they had been in from Sussex for 10 days. Minta came home from Ontario today & I brought her up with me this evening. Men were clearing weeds out of strawberries most of day & taking off runners. Strawberries are looking well think we will have a heavy crop.

Sunday July 11 1875 A dull day. Went to Kingston church to day & took a load with the spare horses.

Monday July 12 1875 A very fine day. Men were pulling off runners from strawberry plants today. Sent off about 200 qt. of strawberries by R.J.F. to R.E.P.

Tuesday Oct 12 1875 A dull day. Have just had wood-house enlarged and foundation repaired under old store. E.M.W. & men were framing manure shed & carriage & tool house this afternoon. Three men were working on 2 acre lot on top of hill ¾ day. Have a heavy crop of berries this year & plants are looking well now.

Friday April 21 1876 Am laid up in the house by a fall from my wagon last Sunday, so I thought I would again commence farm diary. The spring is somewhat earlier than last year there not having been much snow. I notice that R.J.F. is plowing his garden today to plant potatoes. Minta planted seeds in hot bed yesterday. My Jersey cow "Dutchess" calved yesterday and has a bull calf. Minta is just now planting some sweet peas on the upper side of the garden.

Saturday April 22 1876 A little cloudy today but still pleasant. Commenced plastering the old store today for a dwelling house. Ice went through below today. Was able to walk out doors a little today.

Sunday April 23 1876 Fine in the morning but looked like rain towards night. Am able to walk around a little since my fall but did not get to church today. Seeds were planted in hot bed Wednesday & are showing up now.

Monday April 24 1876 A fine day. Did not do anything at farming. Bates was blasting a rock for me near hall. Did not get done, will about finish tomorrow.

Tuesday April 25 1876 A fine day. Bates finished blasting rock near hall today. R.W.W. has got the old store about half plastered. Rhubarb is starting up finely most of the seeds in the hot bed are up.

Wednesday April 26 1876 A stormy day. Did not do anything at farming.

Thursday April 27 1876 Cold & windy from the NE. Harry N. Logue came to work with me today for the summer. Hauled off a few stone & hauled out a little manure. Got a second hot bed partly made today.

Friday April 28 1876 A dull day. Attended the examination at Clifton School today. Am getting over my fall nicely although quite lame yet. Have not done much at farming yet. Men were hauling manure up the hill today.

Saturday April 29 1876 A dull day but not stormy. Got a few peas planted today in kitchen garden. Plants are starting nicely in the hot bed most of the seeds being up. Have not uncovered any strawberries yet.

Sunday April 30 1876 A stormy day.

Monday May 1 1876 Stormy. Men working inside oiling harness etc.

Tuesday May 2 1876 Began taking off brush today but only took a little off. Appeared cold toward night.

Wednesday May 3 A dull day but not stormy. Took brush off about ¼ an acre today of strawberries & part of the day was getting up plants to sell. Plants took middling well except in places.

Monday May 8 1876 Was out all the last of last week did not get much done. Was in St. John Friday. Got off some plants today & got some rasp. stakes from mill. Got some brush off berries toward night.

Sunday May 14 1876 A fine day. Was at church in Kingston today. Finished uncovering strawberry plants & taking up raspberry plants yesterday. Strawberry plants are somewhat hurt but rasp. plants look good. From appearances should judge that rasp. plants should be up by May 5th & strawberry plants would be better if not uncovered till the 12th or 13th May. Pansies & daisies are blooming beautifully in the garden.

Monday May 15 1876 Comparatively a fine day but a little dull towards night. Set about 500 Wilson strawberry plants today where I took out rock near the school lot line. Set about 50 hills of raspberries to carry out rows to G.N.F's. line. Rhubarb is looking well & fit to take to market. Due van Shol tulips are beginning to show bloom. Cow 'Rose' went to bull today.

Tuesday May 16 1876 A fine day. Set about 700 plants above the hall, 4 rows of Col. Cheery & 2 rows of [Sriomphe] de gand. Put some hop vines each side of the garden gate & set some plants about the place for summer house. Commenced to set the currant plants received from states. The first three rows on the northeast side of gooseberries will be white grape currant, the next three La Versailles.

Wednesday May 17 1876 A fine day. Set the currant plants I got from the states as follows: The first three rows on the NE side of the gooseberry patch White Grape, except five plants on the head of the first row which are Earl Kent Gooseberry. The

next three rows are the La Versailles. Sowed carrot & beet seed & a few turnip seed in lot above hall on SW side of strawberries and below Ash house. Harry & Will were putting manure on a piece of land for potatoes on top of hill.

Saturday May 20 1876 A fine day. Planted a half acre of potatoes today on the hill. Tulips are getting in bloom (Single Early & Due van Shol) Strawberry plants are not looking nearly so well as they were last year.

Monday May 22 1876 A dull day & rained a little toward night. Got a little over half an acre of oats in on the top of the hill & stone cleaned off the land. Set 30 apple trees today as follows: 7 NB in row next road below old well. 1 NB to fill the place of one killed near garden. 9 NB in new row next hall lot. 1 NB in foot of row next on South West. 2 NB near pile of rocks on top of hill. 2 Fameuse in row next house on SW side to fill place of ones killed. 2 Fameuse in head of 2nd row from hall lot to fill place of P.G., 1 Sops of Wine next below in same row. 2 Alex. next below that. 2 Red Astrachan next below that. 1 Max Crabb in currant lot to fill place of one killed = 30 total. Set 3 Neills of Sharps improved rhubarb near asparagus.

Strawberry fields in Clifton. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Tuesday May 23 1876 Dull in morning but fine in the afternoon. Was in St. John today. I took with me 240 lbs rhubarb being the second lot this spring.

Wednesday May 24 1876 A fine day. Set apple trees received from Lingley & Sons as follows: 8 NB in row next hall lot between others. 9 Alex. in next row between others. 1 Alex. in foot of next row. 7 Fameuse on top of hill next D. Wetmore's line

beginning at top of hill & running NW they are among stones near line fence, 3 NB next after them to NW, 3 Gravenstiens, next after them to NW among by pile of stones, 5 NB next after them to end of large pile of stones = 36 total. This with what was set before makes 66 set this year, vig. 36 New Brunswick, 12 Alexander, 11 Fameuse, 3 Gravenstiens, 1 Sops of Wine, 2 Red Astrachan, 1 Max Crabb = 66 total trees this spring. Set out three rose bushes today that I got from W.N. Merritt, one next below climbing rose on corner of summer house, one on southeast side of garden 2nd from E corner of garden, one on SW side 2nd from south corner.

Thursday May 25 1876 Fine in the morning but stormed in the afternoon. Attempted to get corn planted but did not succeed on account of the rain. Set out 9 dahlias & some Gladiolus. Early tulips are beautiful now but late ones are not out yet. Planted beans in currant patch today.

Friday May 26 1876 A fine day. Got about half raspberries tied up today. Planted 4 rows of corn above the hall. Sowed 6 rows or turnip seeds along side of the corn. Tulips are looking very well (Due van Shol & Single Early)

Saturday May 27 1876 A fine day. Got all raspberries tied up [?] about 400 hills. Got 23 Rose bushes from US today & also a Spiea and 2 Clematis. Set all out but one rose bush which I gave to Mrs. G.N.F.

Wednesday May 31 1876 A fine day & has been fine for awhile. It is getting quite dry. Part of yesterday & today were hoeing strawberries – got about ⅞ done. They do not look as well as they did last year at this time. Saw a few blossoms today & yesterday for the first. Planted Nasturtium today.

Thursday June 1 1876 A fine day & dry. Did not quite get all of the old bed strawberries hoed today. They are quite weedy & are not looking well. Then about a dozen more rows above the barn to hoe and last years set plants above the hall. Early tulips are beginning to fade & late ones are not yet out yet. Set a bed of pansies in garden this evening.

Friday June 2 1876 Fine in the morning but dull in the afternoon but did not rain. Excellent weather for hoeing. Was hoeing strawberries today with the exception of the time spent in scraping the ceiling of the office which was a tedious & dirty job. Finished hoeing the strawberries today, finishing lot above hall late at night. Left four rows above the house not hoed in case any plants were wanted. Strawberries are not looking nearly so well as they did at this time last year.

Saturday June 3 1876 Foggy in the morning and fine in the afternoon. Was in St. John today. The men finished staking & tying up raspberries today, getting balance of stakes at the mill. Hoed a few of raspberries today. Only two men working for me now Will Spike having left last Thursday.

Sunday June 4 1876 Rained all day with wind from the north. Quite cold.

Plan of Rose Bed in the garden … ever blooming roses.

southeast

Isabella Sprint /[?]	Phillippe / Pres.	Of Olbecuque/	Mad Margotton/	Duches de Shuringe
Mad Herman	Mad Damazaine	Duchess de Brabant/	Regalis/	Julia Manus
Ayrippins/	Marechal Neil/	St. Joseph /	Marcelia Roda/	Belle

north west

Hybrid Perpetual. Chas. Lifebre in Genies bed. In four angles of centre bed as follows: Lord Raglan in north, Mad Plantier in E, Princess of Wales in S Alex Bachmetiff in W. Moss Roses on SW side of garden, Countess de Muranais furthest to NW, Glory Mosses next below, Princess Adelaide Moss Rose was set to NW of the Countess June 9. 8 Hybrid Perpetual roses were set on NE side of garden June 9 as follows beginning at the NW La Reine, Pierce Notting, La France, Marquis de Bocella, Madan Chas Wood, Coquette des Alpres, Gen Washington & one name unknown. Climbing roses around Summer house, Queen of Prairie on SW Russell Cottage on NW side of door Baltimore Belle on SE side of door & champnez next below.

Monday June 5 1876 A stormy day. Did not get anything done outside was writing all day.

Tuesday June 6 1876[6] A dull day but warm growing weather. The two men got about half done hoeing raspberries. A few strawberry blossoms begin to show in the earlier plants of the field. They are later than last year. Commenced to build summer house but did not finish. Rev. W.E. Scovil, rector of the Parish died last night in St. John.

Wednesday June 7 1876 A pleasant day but cloudy. Men did not quite get done hoeing raspberries. Was fitting up summer house & garden myself. Got daisies & pansies transplanted. Only got summer house half done.

Thursday June 8 1876 A fine day. Rev W.E. Scovil was buried today in Kingston. The funeral was very large. Finished hoeing raspberries & the four rows of strawberries which I had kept for plants. Bought a stump & rock extractor for 5 today; it seems to work very well.

Friday June 9 1876 A dull day was fitting up garden today & setting seedlings from hot bed did not get quite done. Set stock, asters, snap dragon, dianthus, [cordy tuft] Adonis, Nemophila, california poppy & other plants. Set daisies in circle yesterday. Set today 14 roses that I procured from the States as follows; 3 over blooming in bed, 6 Hybrid Perpetual on NE side of garden, 1 Moss Rose on SW side of garden, 4 climbing roses around summer house. Harvy was getting stone off piece for

turnips. Arthur is sick today. Late show tulips are in full bloom. Strawberries do not show many blossoms yet. Simple Narcusus is in full bloom. Set 2 Honeysuckle's about summer house today one on SW side Eversweet scents & one on NW or N name not known. Also set Hydrangea Grandeflora in NW side of summer house.

Saturday June 10 1876 A dull day & rainy part of the day. Set out cabbages, planted sage & some cucumber. Finished up garden but there are 2 or 3 beds not spaded yet, plants are not ready to put in them. Tulips are beautiful now. Strawberries in rear of house begin to show some blossoms but are not in full bloom.

Tuesday June 13 1876 Dull & foggy today although the sun shone a little at one time. Was away in Westfield myself today. Men were putting in turnips on piece next Edward's line & getting stone off it. Strawberries are beginning to show in full bloom on the earlier plants but the late ones are not showing much yet. Got a wild grape vine yesterday & will set it tomorrow morning.

Wednesday June 14 1876 Dull & foggy today. Was getting out stone on the hill from buckwheat land. Used a rock extractor (patent) which lifts them out very well. Strawberry plants are looking better than they did. Older ones begin to show a good many blossoms but they are not in full bloom yet. Raspberries are looking well.

Thursday June 15 1876 Raining all day today. It has been dull & foggy so long that the strawberries want hoeing very much – are looking very weedy. Strawberries are looking very well & the older ones are white with blossoms. Sent a lot of rhubarb (373 lbs) to St. John today and got very little for it. McDonnell was putting a window in the old store today.

Friday June 16 1876 Chill in the morning but fine in the afternoon. Was getting out stone on the hill in the forenoon & the men were hoeing in the afternoon. I was at Kingston attending a meeting for nominating a Rector. No one was nominated but another meeting is to be held. Some of the strawberries seem to be in full bloom & look well.

Saturday June 17 1876 Dull & foggy in the morning but partially fine in the afternoon. Was hoeing strawberries all day although it was too wet in the morning. Got about 1½ acres hoed the second time. Set tomato plants this evening. Set petunia plants this evening.

Sunday June 18 1876 Quite fine today although a little foggy in the morning. Was at Kingston church today in the afternoon. None of the strawberries can be said to be in full bloom yet except on the earliest pieces such as Mrs. J.B.F. picked last year & back of house. Where they were hurt by the winter they are later.

Monday June 19 1876 Foggy in the morning & fine during the middle of the day but showery towards night. Fog was set up again this evening. It has been foggy every day now for a long time so that it almost impossible to kill weeds. Hoed strawberries back of house today & part of what were left above the barn. There are only about 13 rows to hoe of the old plants, newly set (last year) above the hall are not hoed the 2nd time yet.

Tuesday June 20 1876 Dull & foggy. The sun scarcely shone any. Finished hoeing strawberries the second time today. Hoed corn & some carrots & turnips above hall. Was getting stone off buckwheat land in the afternoon. Strawberry plants above the hall are very poor.

Wednesday June 21 1876 Dull & foggy & rained in the later part of the day. Was getting stone off the buckwheat field in the forenoon & in the afternoon took off the ceiling in the sitting room & getting a new one plastered on. Marshall plastered it for me & finished just before tea. It's raining hard now.

Thursday June 22 1876 Fine part of the day & showery toward night. E.W. Wetmore was helping me to put a sill under the barn. We got the sill hewed & one of them under. Will probably finish tomorrow forenoon. Most of the strawberries seem to be in full bloom now with perhaps the earlier ones a little past it. Did nothing at the buckwheat field today.

Friday June 23 1876 The first fine day for a long time and in the afternoon after the land got dry a very good day for hoeing. Finished putting the sills under the barn and hoed out the balance of the beets, carrots & turnips. They were very weedy. Towards night were up on the hill working at field for buckwheat. Have got it about half done.

Saturday June 24 1876 Quite a fine day. Prepared land & sowed most of buckwheat on the hill. Sowed Russian Buckwheat.

Monday June 26 1876 A very fine day. Was piling up saw dust in the mill in the forenoon & hoeing raspberries in afternoon. McDonald repaired wagon today. Col. Cheeny strawberries are in full bloom yet.

Tuesday June 27 1876 A very fine day & as good a day for hoeing as we have had this summer. Finished hoeing raspberries today & commenced on strawberries again without cultivator. Hoed garden this morning.

Wednesday June 28 Got one hundred & 6 barrels of ashes from St. John today by Capt. Brittains scow & it took nearly all day to haul it up. Put some on the buckwheat field (about 26 lbs) one load on the oats & the rest in the ash house. Rolled buckwheat field today.

Thursday June 29 A very fine day & warm. Hoed some of the strawberries & got as far as the row of apple trees next the house from the pasture lane. Am hoeing them this time without the cultivator. Also hoed turnips, carrots & beets & newly set strawberries. Painted the sitting room started for St. John this evening expecting to get to Sussex & Studholm next morning. Before I left the men commenced to hoe potatoes on the hill. The potatoes look quite well. We put the cultivator through them.

Friday June 30 1876 A fine day. Was in Sussex & Studholm today. The men finished hoeing potatoes today & hoed some strawberries (very warm)

Saturday July 1 1876 A fine & warm day. Returned from Sussex about 3 o'clock. Men continued hoeing strawberries, got the piece back of the house done. Garden does not look so well as it did last year. Part of the peonies are in full bloom & a few Scotch roses are out.

flowers required for the garden in 1877 (seeds)

petunias -	to be set in part of the tulip beds	Flax	½ quarter circle
Verbenas	in remainer of beds (tulips)	Adonis	½ corner bed
Portulaca	2 beds	Sweet Alyssum	½ corner bed
Stock	1 large bed & part of corner bed ¼ circle	Nemophila	½ part of corner bed
Phlox 2 beds	1 white & 1 mixed	Mignonetta	½ of one corner bed
Coxcomb	1 bed	Calliopsis	1 bed
Dianthus	2 beds (2 kinds annual)	Seabrasa	
Dianthus	1 bed (perennial)	Evenlancyeny	
Snap Dragon	4 beds around the centre	Escholtzia	1 tulip bed
Salpiglaisis	square centre	Delppmeusk	
Asters	1 quarter circle	Candy Tuft	one corner bed
French Marigold	1 bed dwarf		
Pansy	1 bed		

centre bed	corner bed	square bed	¼ circle	
Salpiglassis				square centre
snap dragon	4			centre beds
Stocks		2	2	1/4 circle beds
Aster	½		1	1 do do
Balsam	½		1	1 do do
Nemophila	½			
Sweet Alyssum	½			
Centausea	½			
Mignonette	½			
Cacalia	½			
Lobelia	½			
Eysimum	½			
Portulaca		2		
Phlox		2		1 white & 1 mixed
Coxcomb (Celosia)		1		
Dian Vrus		3		2 annual 1 perennial
Arsemone		1		
Petunia		4		tulip beds
Verbena		4		tulip beds
Agrostemma		1		bulb bed
Marigold		1		dwarf
Pansy		1		
Linum		1		
Escholtzin		1		tulip bed
Calliopois		1		tulip bed
Candy Tuft		1		
Everlasting		1		
Delphinium Roses		1		
Mimulus		1		
	4	28	4	

[Written along the side of the graph from previous page]

Gladiolud and Princess Heather around the garden among rose bushes
Rose slips in pots number as follows: (potted Nov. 5 1876)

Bourbon	2
Madam Damagine	3
Louis Philippe	4
Duchess de Brabant	5
Isabella Sprunt	6

Good Friday March 30 1877[19] There has been a great quantity of snow this winter but for the last few days it has gone off rapidly & the traveling has broken up. I was at [H] E. Flewelling's in West. Co. yesterday & attempted to go to Havelock Corner but could not on account of the roads. G.W. Flewelling lost his little boy Willie by Diphtheria & he was buried yesterday. It has been quite prevalent about here lately & very fatal. Frederic Flewelling lost three children by it. The snow has just got off so that the strawberry plants show & they look very well. There is not much prospect of getting to church today the traveling is so bad.

Wednesday May 2 1877 A cold day with wind from NE. Finished setting a piece of strawberry plants on the hill by the brook today. It contains about 2800 yards or 15/26 of an acre. Have about ? of an acre planted the north of them were planted on the fourth instance. They are next N D W's line beyond the brook. For the last week the weather has been very cold & rainy. The later part of April was very fine & warm almost like June so that some things started very early. Early tulips have been in bloom for some time. On the 5th inst. I sent off to market 170 lbs rhubarb which is the earliest I ever sent it. The wind has been steady & strong from the north since the 6th inst. Snowing part of the time. Everything is much earlier than last year but is so cold now that things are put back. Have few peas planted.

Friday May 11 1877 A fine day men were leveling raspberries & getting piece ready for oats on the hill.

Saturday May 12 1877 A very fine day. Got oats sowed on one acre on hill & got rasp. rows leveled & a few tied up. There was some frost last night & a hard frost the night before.

Monday May 14 1877 A fine day with a little thunder shower at night. Got part of rasp. tied up. Two men were taking off stone where oats were sowed on the hill. Peas are up. Sent 295 lbs rhubarb today making 465 lbs this spring.

Tuesday May 15 1877 A very fine day. Finished tying up rasp. plants & put in piece to oats next Edward's line. Raspberries are not looking well this spring. They should be dug up about May 1st & leveled off at once. Early tulips are in full bloom now.

Wednesday May 16 1877 A fine day. Was making land roller but did not get it quite done. Men finished planting piece of potatoes beyond the brook & commenced to cultivate 10 rows next R J F's line & got part hoed. Some beginning to show blossoms which is very early about 14 days earlier than last year or year before.

Thursday May 17 1877 A fine day. Finished roller & Harry rolled two pieces of land that I had seeded down. The roller worked well, commenced to hoe strawberries about 3 o'clock & hoed about an acre from raspberries towards the house. Several blossoms are showing. Due von Shol & early tulips are in full bloom but late ones are not out yet. It is very smoky there being many fires in the woods.

Friday May 18 1877 Fine in the morning but dull & rainy towards night. Was hoeing strawberries all day today & just got to the hall fence at night having hoed about an acre.

Saturday May 19 1877 Dull in the morning but fine in the afternoon. Finished hoeing strawberries today with those above the hall. Harry was not here today. Hauled some black mud for slop hope. Plowed & sowed to oats & seeded piece above hall. Set a few daisies tonight & planted Gladiolus.

Monday May 21 1877 A very fine day. Planted corn above Hall row to northeast Compton's early field corn in half towards bottom Pop corn in row to northeast in top half common corn in remainder. 3 kinds of beans among corn sowed & rows of carrot seed & one row of beet seed along side of corn. Set 3 pear trees today as follows: Pierre d'Anjou in rhubarb to northeast of garden beside poultry yard fence in rhubarb & _____ in poultry yard. Spaded some beds in the garden today & set some perennials.

Tuesday May 22 1877 A fine day & warm. Hoed the piece of newly set strawberries on the hill in the forenoon. Planted some potatoes on piece next meadow 8 rows next grass 1st five on barn manure & the next three on black mud. The first 3 of those on manure had plaster on them & the first two of those on mud. Commenced to dig two drains in the low place next Howard's line on the hill to connect with those that Bates dug last fall. They are each about 5 rods long. Newly set strawberries are not looking well they were evidently set too early.

Wednesday May 23 1877 A dull day but it did not storm. Set tomatoes & cabbage & planted 36 hills of pole beans. 6 tomatoes were from Rev. D I Wetmore & the remainder from my own hot bed Canada Victor. Planted a few more potatoes on the hill & got a little done at the drains.

Thursday May 24 1877 The Queen's birthday did not do much but wash wagon.

Friday May 25 1877 A stormy day. Set a few plants in the garden in the evening French Marigolds, Caealia & one bed of Portulaca Harry went to Saint John with a load of rhubarb 424 lbs for myself and some for JSW & V Robert JG. He is to bring a load up this evening. It has been dull for the last 3 days. Late tulips will be in bloom In a few days.

Saturday May 26 1877 A stormy day & cold did not get much done on farm today. Harry went for a load of hay up to Mr. Hill's.

Sunday May 27 1877 Dull in the morning but fine in the afternoon & evening. Late tulips are coming well now. Many of the strawberries are in blossom on the flat between RJF's & the house. Oats are up in piece on the hill.

Monday May 28 1877 A fine day. Planted 4 rows of potatoes on the hill which finishes the planting of potatoes for the year. Got some thing done at the drains but did not finish.

Tuesday May 29 1877 A fine warm day. Finished drains & got 4 rows of southern corn planted for fodder next potatoes. Late tulips are in full bloom. Oats are looking well on the hill. Strawberries in some places are beginning to show blossoms plentifully. It is time they were hoed I have 3 men working for me now but I had four a while ago. I expect to have but 2 for the summer.

Wednesday May 30 1877 A very fine day with the wind from the southwest. Planted 5 more rows of southern corn on the hill & sowed about ⅛ of an acre of turnip seed sowed oats on about ¼ of an acre on the wet swale near the newly set strawberries. Did not get grass seed sowed on it as I expected nor get it harrowed. Hoed & brushed peas near gooseberry patch. Took the stone off of part of the strawberry plants above the hall. Some of the earlier parts of strawberry patch seem to be in full bloom now about 10 days earlier than last year.

Thursday May 31 1877 A fine hot day. I was up with H D W helping Justus Pickett do some planting. Harry & Fred finished the field of oats & got it seeded down & rolled & then were breaking up remainder for buckwheat. Beverly Lyon was taking 'liveforever' out of meadow on the hill – he finished working for me today.

Friday June 1 1877 Commenced to hoe strawberries today on the side next R J F's line. Did not get much done as they were quite weedy. I did not work much at them myself.

Saturday June 2 1877 A fine day & very hot. Hoed a few strawberry plants next to hall lot. The greater part of strawberries are in full bloom & look very well.

Sunday June 3 1877 A fine hot day. There is quite a drought. Strawberries, expect the later varieties are in full bloom.

Monday June 4 1877 A fine hot day. Got a hive of bees from Wm. Sterritt's today. Hoed strawberries between house & hall & part of those above hall. They were quite weedy by the house. Hoed peas also.

Tuesday June 5 1877 A fine hot day. Was hoeing strawberries all day but did not get nearly done.

Wednesday June 6 1877 Fine in the morning but rainy in the afternoon. Hoed strawberries part of forenoon but did not hoe any in the afternoon. Sent off 738 lbs rhubarb today. [Gwen strawberries are quite large]

Thursday June 7 1877 A fine hot day. Finished hoeing strawberries today for the second time. They are looking very well & are a little beyond full bloom. Cut the blossoms off a few of the newly set strawberries (3 rows) & hoed out some buckwheat from a small part of them. Hoed a few rasp. toward night.

Friday June 8 1877 A dull day with wind from southeast but did not rain. Finished hoeing raspberries today, having spent just about one day for three men in cultivating & hoeing them. Strawberries are looking very well.

Saturday June 9 1877 A dull day partly fine in the afternoon. It is quite dry & needs rain. The two men were taking stone off part of the strawberries above hall in the forenoon & in the afternoon we hoed the newly set strawberries on the hill. 7/10 of an acre. They are looking very well. Hoed and raked off garden this evening. Peonies are in bloom.

Monday June 11 1877 A fine hot day. Was wheeling stone off strawberries most of day & off corn & carrots. Hoed turnips on the hill & a few potatoes.

Tuesday June 12 1877 A fine hot day & very dry. Hoed about 10 rows of potatoes & remainder of day men were working at buckwheat field. Did not get it quite ready to sow. Jas. Kierstead is clearing up a corner for me near the bridge over the brook by buckwheat field. He is to clear the piece which is about ¼ of an acre & dig 27 rods of drain for $15. He commenced Monday. Early Dan ORourke peas show blossom today. Col. Cheeney strawberries are in full bloom but others are beyond it.

Wednesday June 13 1877 A foggy day but fine in the afternoon. Got an acre of buckwheat sowed today but did not quite get the field finished. Sowed Russian Buckwheat.

Thursday June 14 1877 Foggy in the morning but fine in the afternoon. Men were working part of the day at buckwheat field & part of the day at getting stone for drains that Kierstead is digging.

Friday June 15 1877 A fine hot day & very dry. The men finished the Buckwheat field & were hoeing potatoes.

Saturday June 16 1877 A dull day & rainy part of the time. Was working at clearing up the corner of the buckwheat field next the bridge.

Sunday June 17 1877 A very fine day. Rained quite heavily last night. Everything looks well after the showers. There was service in Clifton Hall this forenoon. The bees swarmed today & I got the swarm safely hived.

Monday June 18 1877 A fine hot day. Hoed some potatoes near the site of the old house on the hill or rather ploughed them & raked off, they do not look very well. Did not hoe them all as they were not up enough. Hoed corn I had planted for fodder.

Tuesday June 19 1877 A fine day with showers in the afternoon. Hoed corn & beans, beets, carrots & peas. Brushed late peas. Took stone off corn patch & off currant & gooseberry patch. Put plaster on strawberries as follows: On the piece between the two paths from the house yard to the second row of apple trees, on the piece above Hall as follows, beginning in the SW in each case: 3 rows of Col. Cheeney, 4 rows Magnolia & 8 rows Wilsons.... Put bone dust on strawberry plants as follows: on piece between main road & first path between road from house & the old well.... Bone dust on new plants on the hill on the first row of Col. Cheeney to the NE on the row next it @ NE of Wilsons & on the row next that on NE of Magnolias. ....Plaster on new plants on the hill beginning at the NE to the row of Wilsons next beyond the first 4 rows of Col. Cheeney including the row of Wilsons mentioned.

Wednesday June 20 1877 A fine hot day with a heavy north west wind. There was a big fire in Saint John today & it still continues to burn. Was filling drain dug by Mr. Jas. Kierstead in corner of buckwheat field today & getting stone & stumps off the piece.

Thursday June 21 1877 About three quarters of the city of Saint John was burned last night & yesterday by the fire. It was the most fearful fire that has ever visited this place. Finished putting the stone in two of the drains dug by Mr. Jas Kierstead today & finished hoeing the potatoes in piece beyond the brook. I was at the reach myself.

The great Saint John fire. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B.)

Friday June 22 1877 Dull & rainy in the forenoon & clear in the afternoon. Was in the city today in the afternoon. The fire destroyed about $15,000,000. worth of property in fact nearly destroyed the city. Commenced to hoe & pull runners off strawberries today. Harry was not at work. A few ripe strawberries begin to show.

Saturday June 23 1877 A fine day but windy. Got about an acre of strawberries hoed & the runners off. It should have been done a little sooner.

Monday June 25 1877 A fine hot day with a little shower in the afternoon. Men were hoeing strawberries all day & pulling off runners. I was writing myself.

Tuesday June 26 1877 Hoeing strawberries all day but did not get quite done. Will be hoeing, weeding raspberries tomorrow. Picked a few strawberries (6 qts) for market today.

Wednesday June 27 1877 A fine day. Was in Saint John myself but the men were hoeing raspberries, they got about ¾ done.[20]

[Clipped to the top of this page is a small scrap of paper. One side has a note, the other a garden list. Side one:]

Clifton July 15 1876. M Thos. Fennel Jr., Haverlock Dear Sir: inst received
Application has been made to the Board for aid on your building & I expect it will be obtained as I told you when there, but no answer has been received yet.
You appear to be making difficulties about getting an agreement with the teacher as well as she

[Side two seems to be a yearly rotation plan:]

1½ acre breaking up with oats, ½ potatoes, ½ corn for fodder turnips & carrots1
½ acres seeding down with oats 4 year timothy & blown 1st yr. oats,
2nd yr. potatoes, 3rd yr. corn for fodder, turnips & carrots, 4th yr. oats, 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grasses

September 6 1877[21] Picked New Brunswick apples today & had about 5 barrels. They were very fine.

Sept. 8 1877 A fine day finished making 3 drains between the rows of strawberries above the barn yard today. Was out shooting today have been repairing road for hauling brush.

Nov. 22 1877 Put brush on strawberries last week & it just took 5 days. I had three teams on except the last day when there were only 2. One was an ox team. It took about 140 loads or counting one ox load = 1½ horse loads = 150 loads for 3 acres

that is about 50 loads to the acre. It got very muddy before finished putting it on. there having been heavy rains. I think it would be better to put the brush on in the last of Oct. before the lands get wet if it would not hurt the strawberries. Cleared about 5 acres of land this fall at a cost of about $475.

Soiling Cattle
A good list of crops for the purpose.

1st winter rye – cut 3 times. 2nd clover – cut 3 times. 3rd oats & peas sown together at the rate to the acre of 1 bush oats & 2 bush peas – cut only once. 4th fodder corn – cut once. The rye should be used first in the spring & would be followed by the clover. They would run together a little & the clover would lap on to the oats & peas & the oats & peas would lap again on the fodder corn. The oats & peas should be commenced to cut about the time the peas commence to blossom & will last about one month. One cow will require from 75 to 100 lbs per day of green food. Quantity required of each to last one cow for the summer: – ¼ acre Minta rye; 1/10 do (") clover; 1/10 do oats & peas; ¼ do fodder corn; 7/10 or ¾ of an acre for one cow.

April 23 1878 The winter was a very open one & the spring now seems early. the weather being warm & mild. Took some bush off strawberries yesterday next hall lot & took up some raspberries today. Strawberries look pretty well & raspberries look very well. Have taken out part of the strawberries between house & hall lot & expect to use the land for a kitchen garden. Have two hot beds made & the seeds sown in one. Tomatoes, cabbage & e & some flower seeds. They have been sown nearly a week.

Saturday April 27 [sic] Dull & rainy in the morning but proved fine before night. Was very warm today & has been warm for several days. Took the brush off about 2 acres of strawberries today. Strawberry plants look fairly, not so well as they looked last spring. Have about ⅔ of the raspberries up. The season seems to be quite early. Bed of crocuses were in full bloom today & are beautiful.

Saturday May 4 1878 A dull day. The weather has not been very good for farming for the last week. Finished taking the brush off strawberries today. I think it would have been as well if the strawberries had been left covered till about this time but raspberries should be up earlier. Set about ¼ of an acre of raspberries today on the hill near the large stone pile. Commenced to set some strawberries in the same field & got about 1000 set. Pulled & took 6 lbs rhubarb to the city yesterday.

Monday May 6 1878 A dull day. Set about 1000 more strawberry plants on the hill & staked & tied a few raspberries.

Tuesday May 7 1878 Partly fine & partly dull. Finished setting strawberry plants on the hill & got about 2700 set there. They are next new raspberry patch. Set about 800 plants in the four rows alongside raspberries where I took Downers out.

Strawberries do not look nearly so well as they did last spring. I think I uncovered them too early. Got 7 Ben Davis apple trees & two plum trees from a house in Rochester, NY today & set them as follows: – in the lot between NJF's & road from house to main road.... 5 Ben Davis near the end of third row from the road.... 2 Ben Davis on NE end of fourth row from the road... 2 Plum trees Lombard & Imperial Gaye in fourth row from road & just below the two large crab apple trees. Lombard next towards RJF's line. Got about ¼ the stakes driven for raspberries.

Wednesday May 8 1878 A fine day but cloudy with wind from northeast. Got a lot of stakes for raspberries from the mill. Tied up a few raspberries just at night. Some early tulips are in bloom.

Friday May 10 1878 Sowed two acres of oats today on two acre lot next rear – manured all with bone dust and south east end with super phosphate.

Saturday May 11 1878 A fine day. Did not get quite all the raspberries tied up. Got 2 acres of oats in one field next to NDW's line & got the piece rolled. Hoed part of the garden last night. Took 466 lbs rhubarb to St. John yesterday.

Monday May 13 1878 A fine day. Got a drain dug & filled in an acre lot near the woods intended for oats on the lower side of the road. The drain was about 4 rods long & empties into the milldam. Got some more stakes from the Moss Glen Mill & got all driven for raspberries & nearly all tied. Early tulips are in full bloom.

Tuesday May 14 1878 A fine day but cloudy. Commenced to hoe strawberries about noon today at RJF's line & hoed about an acre over to old well. The ten rows next RJF's line are badly winter killed & no part of the field looks as well as last year. A few blossoms are beginning TO SHOW. Finished tying raspberries today. Put in a little over an acre of oats today on the lower side of road next woods.

Wednesday May 15 1878 Was in Sussex today. Got about half an acre of potatoes planted beside Mill Dam. Early tulips are in full bloom.

Friday May 17 1878 A fine day. Set off 414 lbs rhubarb today making with what was sent before 880 lbs this spring. Hoed strawberries balance today. Have all cultivated now except those above the hall. Got all those cultivated on the hill by the brook but only got about ¼ of them hoed. Strawberries do not look well.

Saturday May 18 1878 A very fine day. Got a few more potatoes planted on piece near Mill Dam & also small piece in rear of potatoes. Oats on two acre lot are up sowed just 7 days ago.

Monday May 20 1878 A very fine day. Rolled piece of oats & peas next NDW's line & got more potatoes planted near Mill Dam. Have now about ¾ of an acre planted. Early tulips are in full bloom. Bought a lot of manure from RJF & got part of it hauled up on to strawberry lot or lot on which I intend to set some strawberries next NDW's line beyond the brook. Set 49 apple trees today. I received from LP Sharp Woodstock & 2 plum trees Moores Arctic... 32 Lamiuse as follows: – 4 in row

next road & parallel to it between RJF's line & road from house, 4 below path next road from house in two rows parallel to main road, 3 in row next house on SW ....one on each side of upper path & one 5th above that path.... 2 in first rasp. row, one near above upper path & one this side from top of row.... 19 in spot where P Cheeney were killed but not the two parallel rows from top 17 NB set as follow: – 1 in top of row next house on SW side, 7 in the head of lot where P Cheeney were killed, 2 in the head of first rasp. rows above RJF's lot, in all 32 Famouse & 17 NB = 49. The two Moores Arctic plum were set among rhubarb near bee hives.

Tuesday May 21 1878 Set 6 rows of Wilsons beyond the brook next HDW's line. Saunder's was digging drain part of the day near large stone pile next HDW's.

Wednesday May 22 1878 A dull day set a few more strawberry plants beyond the brook, Scarlet Marigolds, 5 rows. Got drain filled & covered. Commenced to haul manure from Stephen Cronk's. I had bought the lot for $15. Hauled 2 loads.

Thursday May 23 1878 A dull day, Men were shaving boxes & getting out stuff. Got horses shod. Bought the mare Sophy from M.W. Flewelling for 22½ dollars. Hauled 3, 2 horse loads & 1 one horse load of manure from Stephen Cronk.

Friday May 24 1878 A fine day. Hauled manure from Stephen Cronk's all day. Pulled 159 lbs rhubarb for market today to send GJSW tomorrow. This with 880 lbs sent before makes 1039 lbs this spring.

Saturday May 25 1878 A dull day but did not rain. Set 10 rows more of strawberry plants beyond the brook making in all twenty rows containing 3000 plants. Sowed to oats and seeded down about ½ of an acre on Mrs. G.F. Whelpley's place did not get it rolled.

Monday May 27 1878 A fairly fine day but showering part of the time. Men were clearing a piece near the bridge for oats & peas. Finished setting dahlias today set a row along the garden fence.

Tuesday May 28 1878 Mrs. R.J. Flewelling was buried in Kingston today, she died on Sunday morning. There was quite a thunder shower this evening although it is clear now 9 pm. Men were hoeing strawberries above the hall the first time & got nearly done.

Friday May 31 1878 A fine day. Got beans & corn planted in kitchen garden and getting rasp. hoed first time.

Saturday June 1 1878 A very fine day. Late tulips are in full bloom. Double white Narcissus in full bloom, set some Balsum Asters & c last night.

Tuesday June 4 1878 Planted fodder corn today beyond brook with a seed planter from Albany. Planted also oats & peas with the same planter near the brook. Sowed to oats & peas & seeded down a small piece near newly set strawberries. Got a few strawberries hoed.

Wednesday June 5 1878 Got a few more strawberries hoed the 2nd time. Planted with the seed planter among newly set raspberries, beans, beets & marigolds & sowed turnip seed above the hall.

Thursday June 6 1878 A fine day. Hoed newly set strawberries & raspberries & hoed some of old strawberries are not near half done second time. Got piece of land above the hall nearly ready for buckwheat.

Saturday June 8 1878 A fine day but toward night looked like storm. Sowed buckwheat on the new piece above the hall today & got it harrowed but did not get it rolled.

Friday June 14 1878 A fine day & finished hoeing strawberries today, second time. The pieces that were planted to fodder corn having failed on account of bad seed (the seed rotting in the ground) it was plowed up & planted again today. The piece next the brook in fodder corn & the piece next the potatoes in oats & vetches. Half the piece of vetches was drilled in & half broadcast. Corn & beans in kitchen garden are well up but look pretty yellow.

Saturday June 15 1878 A foggy day. Set cabbage plants, tomato plants & sowed some Italian rye grass in kitchen garden. Hoed & cleaned up garden today. It should not require hoeing again for a fortnight.

Monday June 17 1878 A dull day. Cleared a small piece at the end of the strawberry rows near the brook on the hill & sowed it to buckwheat.

Wednesday June 19 1878 A fine day. Field of potatoes near mill dam did not come well & today I sowed it to turnip seed in vacant spots. Hoed the potatoes today. Hoed corn in the garden.

Thursday June 20 1878 A very hot day. This is the anniversary of the great fire in Saint John in 1877. Cultivated raspberries with the new cultivator that is the one that is attached to the seed sower. It worked well. Hoed strawberries near the brook over again as they were not well hoed the first time.

Oct 4 1879 Set gooseberries & currants in the kitchen garden & sowed a small piece of winter rye. Nearly all of the first row of currants was set last spring & was red currants (versailles). Red currant cutting were in the upper end of the row E. A. Kent gooseberry in the middle & white Grape currant near the bottom of the row. The rows of currant gooseberries were set as follows: – 2 rows to SW beginning with apple the row versailles red currant, next two rows to North east White grape currant, next two rows Early Kent Gooseberry, next three rows Noughtons seedling gooseberry. The cuttings in each row are of the same kind as the plants in the row.

May 15 1880 Set 9 apple trees today as follows: – on the SW side of pasture lane beginning at bottom 2 Walbridge 1 Bethel 1 Pewaukee 1 Milden 1 Pewaukee 1 Twenty ounce 1 Hubbardson Nonsuch & 1 twenty ounce.

May 18 1880 Set 6 Downing Gooseberry in the head of the 2nd row of Early Kent __the apple tree row in Kitchen garden.

Strawberry lots covered with brush in the fall of 1880

On the hill		sq. yards
NW of brook & near NDW's line		3200
near mill dam		1300
SE of brook & NDW's line		2420
Near raspberries & stone heap		948
	total	7868
below the hill near head of rasp. bushes 9 rows		440
Near raspberries at foot of long rows of old ones		700
triangular lot near house	600	
lot next pasture lane		1430
lot next SW of this on the other side of spruce [?]		1540
Col Cheeney & magnolias above the hall		660
Below the lower path next RJF's line		870
		total 6,660
grand total or three acres & 8 yds.		14,528

Another lot below the path that may be covered, next the road that leads from the house to the main road.

[This is the other section of the book containing David Pickett Wetmore's diary. It is an account of work and purchases related to the fruit operation of D. P. Wetmore, and the day book of the Puddington & Wetmore store. To read this section, one must flip the book and begin at the back.]

Time table of work

	mon	tues	wed	thurs	fri	sat	total	mon	tues	wed	thurs	fri	sat	
November	7	8	9	10	11	12		14	15	16	17	18	19	
William Padgett	1	1	1		quarter	1	4 1/4	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
__Crawford	1	1	1	half	half	quarter	4	1		1	1	1		4
November	21	22	23	24	25	26		28	29					
William Padgett	1	1	half	1	1	half	5	1	1		1		3 quarters	3 1/2
Nathanial Crawford	1	1		1	1	half	4 1/2	1						1

Berry Pickers for 1877
Mrs. David Waddell & two of Alex Waddell's daughters
Emma Harrity with 2 others
Mrs. Brown & two others
Nancy & Louise Waddell
Amelia Flewelling
Chas Logans 2 or 3 children
David Waddell's 3 children
Mrs. Justus Wetmore 12 rows next apple next house & between apple trees & house
Genevieve, Howard, Orm
Sam Jenkins & 3 others

[The above is from the flyleaf at the front of the book and obviously a late addition.]

1871
Apple trees set in the spring about the first of May. In Garden below barn

6 in row next road	"Gravenstein"
6 in row above	"Emp. Alexander"
5 in third row	"Ribston Pippins"
2 in 4th row	"Gravensteins"

In field between old house & Hall

5 in garden used by tenant of old house	"Baldwins"
1 on brow of hill in same garden	"Alexander"
1 in corner between house & barn	"Baldwin"
4 in first row next house & barn	"Baldwin"
6 in second row	"Alexander"
2 in head of third row	"Alexander"
5 in foot of third row	"Ribston Pippins"
2 in bottom of 4th row	"Gravensteins"
5 in top of 4th row	"Nameless"
50	

Plants sold Spring 1871

Gilmore	1 doz rasp. plants	[paid] (pd)	$1.00
Roberts	600 strawberry plants	(pd)	$5.00
CH Fairweather	2 doz rasp		$1.00
Alex Morrison	200 rasp.		$6.00
	300 strawberry 3.00		$9.00
Potts	1 doz rasp		.50
REP	2 doz rasp		$1.00
John McArthur	100 strawberry		$1.00
			18.50

Apple trees set May 31 1871

Above hen coop & old barn

7 in first row next Merritt's line	New Brunswick
1 in second bottom " "	Duchess of Oldenbury
6 in " top " "	New Brunswick
3 in third " "	New Brunswick
vig. From the bottom the 1st, 3rd & 7th	
4 in third row " "	Alexander
vig. From the bottom 2nd, 4th, 5th, & 6th	
4 in fourth row " "	Fameuse
4 in fifth row " "	New Brunswick
29	

crab apple trees set May 16 1872

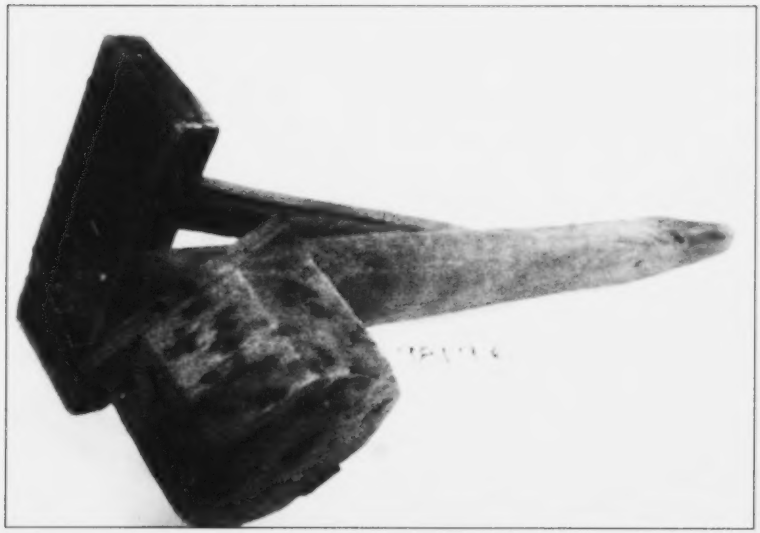
4 between House & Mr. Merritts

apple trees set in spring of 1873

82 finished about the 15th May
25 Peabody Early in rasp above GHF's lots
30 New Brunswick above Merritt's lots
21 do being top seven in 3 rows next Merritt's lot
6 do being the 6 on the lower end of the 6th row to the northeast of Merritt's lots then six do not go down to the fence but only as far as the row angles from top down.
2 do being the two in the lower end of the 7th row from Merritt's lot as far down as it ranges from the top down
59
17 Fameuse in field between Hall & house being 2nd & third rows from school lot & in fourth row on the top of the rock.
11 Peabody Greening being in 9 in row next school lot & one each in upper end of the two rows next to it on the southwest.
30 do do being 10 each in the tops of the 3 rows next to raspberries to the northeast of Merritt's lot.
41
11 11 Alexander in upper end of the 4th row to northeast of rasp. next Merritt's lot.
3 3 summer harvey next below Alex.
238 total set to May 17 1873 all of which are living.

Set in spring of 1876 May 22 1876

2 Fameuse in top of row next hall lot (1+2+2) Sops of wine next below, 2 Alex next below, 2 red Astrachan next below, & NB at bottom 1 of row 7 NB in row next road where Gravensteins had killed 2 in row next house on SW side where others had killed 2 to fill place next garden & 9 in new row next hall.
91 [continued at the bottom of the next page] 27 1876 1 wax crab in currant lot, 2 NB on top of hill in oat ground among stones 30 total set to May 22 1876



Berry box form. The boxes had eight sides, a bottom inset and a fitted top for packing neatly for shipping. The person who made them would sit on a bench with the form securely positioned and the small tack tray facing up. The wood was cut to size in thin veneer strips, which were scored so they could be easily bent without splintering as the form turned. There is a metal inset along one side, so when the tacks were hammered in they bent out of harm's way. This form is in the collection of the John Fisher Memorial Museum. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Day Book of Wetmore & Puddington Commenced Jan, 6 1864

[This title appears at the top of the page. The planting information (Part 1 of this book) was added at a later time.]

Jan 6 1864 Inventory of effects at this date:

Goods	$733.82	
Groceries	$58.27	
Earthenware	$457.66	
Paraffin Lamps &c	$42.80	
Drugs &C	$72.74	
Dry Goods	$535.77	
Stationary	$48.58	
Boots, Shoes & Rubbers	$367.15	
Tins &C	$6.69	
Glass & Dishes 4.00		
empty caskes firkins & boxes 5.00		
rollers & truck for cask 2.00		
tin measure 1.00	$12.00	$2,335.48
horse worth	$120.00	
1set harness	25.00	
1 do 12.00	$37.00	
1 wagon 30.00 buffalo robes 7.00	$37.00	
1spring	20.00	
1 sled 10.00	$30.00	$224.00
debts due the firm		
DP Wetmore	$69.41	$69.41
J Edmund Puddington	$390.00	$390.00
not carried on ledger		
debts due at this date		
in blotter	$1,593.90	
bills receivable		
John Brown two notes for 10.60		
each dated Mar 12 with interest 21.20		
interest on them 1.06	$22.26	
Jas H Wetmore note for 8.00		
with two months interest .08	$8.08	
EM Wetmore note dated July 25		
10.00 interest .43	$10.43	
W Catheline note dated May 6		
for 10.16 interest .40	$10.56	
Jas Connoll's note for 2.64 interest .31	$2.95	
JE Besley note 12.00 interest off .36	$11.64	
Jas Daniels note for 21.34 int .32	$21.66	
E J Flewelling note for 20.00 int .10	$20.10	

Bills and receipts from the locally used companies, showing delightfully artistic company logos.
(Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

[Note: The statements of debts due and bills payable were located in a small section by themselves in the original day book.]

Debts due by me Jan 6 1864

6 Jan	DN Hall	$158.75	
	Ennis & Gardner	$55.13	
	Ewing & Puddington	$586.02	
	Jas E Whittaker	$142.25	
	Benjamin P Price	$22.80	
	I V F Burpee	$106.57	
	Wm Hayward	$81.61	
	John McGrath	$19.00	
	Beard & Venning	$52.20	
		$1,224.30	$1,224.33
	Bills PAYABLE		
	Note favour of J. Whittaker ($MONTHS) due March 13 and 16, 1864	239.98	
	do favour Ennis & Gardner for 163.79 dated Nov. 23 due Feb 1 & 3 1864	163.79	
	Note favour Ewing & Puddington for 300.00 dated Nov 23 due feb 25 & 26	300.00	
	note favour chas a bovey for 102.25 dated nov 23 due feb 25 & 27 1864	102.25	
	note favour SJ Golding for 202.02 dated nov 25 1863 due jan 25 & 28 1864	202.02	
	note favour I & F Burpee for 867.29 dated dec 5 1863 due jan 25 & 28 1864	867.29	
	Note favour Ewing & Puddington for 289.00 3 months dated dec 22 due March 22	289.00	
	note favour john armstrong for 186.34 dated jan 2 due april 2 & 5 1864	186.34	$2,348.67

		Chas W Flewelling note for 9.20 int .52	$9.72	
		P Kelly's for 2.90 int .03	$2.93	
		Alex Waddell's for 14.43 .45	$14.88	
		Chas Lague's note for 1½	$25.00	
			$160.21	
1864				
Jan	9	due J E Whittaker for		
		212 lbs butter @ .16½		$33.92
	"	due I & F Burpee per bill		$76.63
	"	due John Armstrong " "		$121.16
	"	" Ennis & Gardner " "		$98.13
	"	" Ewing & Puddington " "		$67.26
		due D H Hall " "	$33.00	
		" D H Hall " "	$49.25	$82.25
		" Wm Peters per bill		$34.70
	13	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$3.00
		" I & F Burpee per bill		$2.55
	18	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$6.72
		due S R Foster for 50 pr rubbers @ .46		$23.00
	21	due I & F Burpee per bill Jan 18	$11.81	
		do do Jan 21	$5.12	$16.93
Jan	21	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$2.75
	21	Gave I E Whittaker note for 176.12		
		4 months dated Jan 21 1864		
		due May 21 & 24 1864		$176.12
	25	due I & F Burpee per bill		$4.88
	25	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$44.65
	27	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$17.98
	27	due John Armstrong " "		$10.73
	27	paid S J Golding on acct of my note		
		in his possession for 200.00		
		W P Flewelling's note for 500.00		$50.00
	30	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$43.30
	"	" I & F Burpee per bill		$4.63
Feb	3	due John Armstrong " "		$75.81
	3	" I & F Burpee per bill		$23.00
	8	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$12.16
	"	" I & F Burpee " "		$2.50
	"	" Wm Hayward per bill		$37.75
	10	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$72.38
	13	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$9.39
	13	J E Puddington paid Ewing &		
		Pudding some time since		$200.00
	13	J E Puddington paid on acct of note		
		favour Ennis & Gardner to them		$50.00

	"	J E Puddington paid on acct of note		
		favour Ewing & Puddington		
		for 300.00 due Feb 23 to them		$48.00
	16	rec. of J E Puddington per bill		$50.00
	"	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$10.40
	18	D P Wetmore settled with Beard & Venning		$26.38
Feb	20	due Ewing & P per bill		$43.33
	"	paid on acct note		
		favour E & P		$44.00
		Paid Beard & Venning balance		$25.82
	22	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$58.00
		sold Ewing & Puddington		
		40 doz eggs @ .20		$8.00
	23	Bal of Beard & Venning per bill		$23.23
	24	bal of Ewing & Puddington per bill		$5.89
		bal of Ewing & Puddington per bill		$42.44
		sold E & P 19 doz eggs @ .21		$3.99
	26	Borrowed of Chas Snider		
		at this date for three months		
		for which we gave him note with interest		$100.00
	27	took up note favour Chas A Bovey in bank		
		102.25 paid on acct of note		
		favour Ewing & Puddington 108.00		$210.25
	27	gave J Armstrong & Co		
		note for balance 2 months		$207.70
		due Wm Hayward per bill		$11.64
		gave him 3 months note		
		for balance	$131.00	
		intrust on the sand	$1.22	$132.22
		due J Armstrong per bill		$5.00
		due I & F Burpee per bill		$6.80
		due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$3.30
		returned Ewing & Puddington		
		1 parafin blb		$1.00
	27	balance of cash at this date		$117.63
	27	bal. of John Armstrong per bill		$26.15
Mar	1	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$29.54
	"	due Beard & Venning per bill		$62.72
	5	due Beard & Venning per bill		$1.18
	5	due Ewing & Puddington per bill		$26.73
	5	balance of cash at this date		$69.35
	8	J Ed Puddington paid on acct		$20.00
	8	hired of Wm Founds for 3 months		
		with interest gave note 100.00 1.50		$98.50
	"	paid in city on Burpee's note		
		429.08 disc. 6.80		$435.88

	"	gave Burpee renewal note for the bal. of it "no need of posting" [circled]			$438.21
	12	cash sales this week			$430.10
	14	paid on Whittaker's note (his favour) 138.95 disc 1.05			$140.00
	14	paid Whittaker on acct of note for 219.	101.3		$101.03
	"	due Beard & Venning per bill			$36.88
	"	" Ewing & Puddington per bill			$75.94
	19	Due Burpee per bill			$2.40
	19	due Ewing & Puddington per bill			$71.22
	19	amount paid out more than received this week			$16.75
	19	Wm Peters on Jan 18 1 hide 86 lb @ .06		$5.16	
		116½ lbs calf skin @ .12	1.98		$7.14
	19	sold Ewing & Puddington 16½ doz eggs @ .21			$3.46
	23	due I & F Burpee per bill			$6.05
Mar	23	paid on acct of note favour Ewing & Puddington		$289.00	$100.00
	23	paid Ewing & Puddington			$8.50
	23	bal of Ewing & Puddington per bill			$10.80
	"	sold Ewing & Puddington 13½ doz eggs @ .21			$2.88
	24	bal of Ewing & Puddington per bill			$171.20
	26	paid on acct of note favour Ewing & Puddington due yesterday			$189.00
	26	bal of cash at this date			$329.88
	26	due Ennis & Gardner per bill Mar 25			$76.91
	29	paid S N E Foster per receipt			$15.00
	29	bal of J Armstrong per bill			$4.55
	29	bal of I & F Burpee ½ doz [?]		$1.38	
		1 doz combs		$1.70	$3.08
	29	paid Wm Peters calf skin worth			$1.45
	29	bot of Ewing & Puddington 1 hogs head molasses		$56.58	
		1 bbl parafin pd @ .41		$16.81	
		1 bbl		$1.00	$74.39
April	1	due Ewing & Puddington per bill			$70.65
	1	due I & F Burpee per bill			$2.68
	1	due Daniel & Boyd per bill			$56.80
	1	gave Ewing & Puddington note for 3 months for 300.00		$300.00	
		less discount		$4.65	$295.35
	1	due Ennis & Gardner per bill Mar 25			$30.69
	5	due I & F Burpee per bill			$19.88

	"	due Daniel & Boyd per bill			$16.52
April	5	bot of Ewing & Puddington			
		3 lb nuts @ .13			$3.90
	5	paid Armstrong on most of note due			
		today for 186.34			$104.00
	9	balance of cash at this date			$284.77
	11	sent John Armstrong & Co balance			
		on note 186.34 – 104.00		$82.34	$82.34
	14	paid B Price on acct per bill balance			$22.80
	14	paid S K Foster balance per bill			$8.00
	"	bought Ewing & Puddington per bill			$11.81
	"	bought Wm Peters per bill			$5.06
	"	bought Beard & Venning per bill			$73.10
	"	bought Daniel & Boyd per bill			$16.64
	"	bought I & F Burpee per bill			$5.94
	"	gave D H Hall note for balance per			
		his account W P Flewelling			
		note in our favour			$206.68
	16	bot. of G F Evert & Co per bill			$19.05
	"	balance of cash at this date			$41.44
	20	bot of Beard & Venning per bill			$10.92
	"	bot of G D Evert & son per bill			$54.31
	"	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$6.75
	20	paid G F Evert & Co per receipt			$10.94
	"	our account with Ewing & Puddington			
		charged to R E Puddington at this date			
		gave him note for 3 months		$300.00	
		less discount		$4.64	$295.36
	"	gave Beard & Venning note for balance			$202.11
April	20	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill			$2.00
	20	bot of G F Evert & son per bill			$0.50
	"	sold Wm Peters calf skins			$1.82
	20	bot of S K & G H Foster			$23.35
	23	bot of C D Evert 2 hats 2.44			$0.88
	23	bot of R E Puddington per bill	19-Apr	$32.37	
		per bill April 23		$30.94	$63.31
	23	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$24.05
	23	balance of cash at this date			$228.68
	25	gave Ennis & Gardner note			
		for 3 months dated Apr 2			$151.85
	28	bot of R E Puddington per bill			$109.23
	28	bot of C D Evert per bill			$6.02
	28	bot of J E Whittaker per bill			$108.32
	28	bot of John Armstrong per bill			$42.57
	28	sold Wm Peters cow hide @ .05			$3.10
	28	bot of I & F Burpee 6 lbs [?]			$0.78

	28	paid cash in bank for note from Armstrong		$207.70
	28	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill		$9.95
	30	paid Daniel & Boyd balance		
		J S Wetmore note for	$84.96	
		cash	$5.00	$89.96
	30	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill		$13.55
	"	bot of J D Underhill per bill	$101.25	
		interest	$1.57	
		gave him note for the amount		$102.82
	30	returned R E Puddington		
		one empty parafin bbl		$1.00
	30	total cash sales for week ending this date		$75.50
	"	paid cash for goods & expenses same		
		time		$61.90
May	5	sold R E Puddington		
		5½ doz eggs @ .14 19 lbs butter		$6.44
	5	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$6.15
	5	bot of Beard & Venning per bill		$46.43
	5	bot of Wm Peters per bill		$8.00
	10	took up note favour of I & F Burpee		
		today for 186.34		$438.21
	10	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$21.34
	10	bot of R E Puddington per bill May 7		$1.43
	10	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$8.22
	10	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$33.85
	14	total cash sales at this date for		
		two weeks ending May 14		$380.00
	"	paid for goods & expenses same date		$39.80
	17	bot of Daniel & Boyd per bill		$200.22
	17	bot of _____Seacord per bill		$11.60
	17	bot of C D Evert & son		$2.65
	17	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$5.95
	17	paid cash for note favour JE Whittaker		$101.03
	18	bot of J D Underhill this day per bill		
		for which gave him note		
		for 3 months due Aug 21		$81.25
	18	paid		
	19	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$46.95
	21	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$3.61
	21	total cash this week		$240.73
		expenses & cash payment during this time		$63.33
May	21	bot of G F Evert & son per bill		$1.85
	23	paid cash on acct of note		
		favour Whittaker	$89.12	
		discount paid	$0.88	$90.00
		[omitted gave Ewing & Puddington		[added later]
		note 315.75 less]		$310.82

	24	gave R E Puddington			
		note for 244.00 dated May 27			
		due Aug 30			$244.00
	24	gave R E Puddington note			
		for 207.90 dated Jun 8 due Sept 11			$207.90
	26	paid note favour Jas Snider			
		for		$100.00	
		interest on it		$1.50	$101.50
	26	bot of R E Puddington per bill			
			17-May	$84.98	
			10-May	$67.93	
			20-May	$5.30	$158.21
27		gave C D Evert & Son note			
		for 63.86 due Aug 30			$63.86
	27	bot of Beard & Venning per bill			$3.03
	27	bot of R E Puddington per bill			$12.37
	27	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$4.90
	28	total cash sales this week			$175.50
	28	expenses & c during this week			$7.13
June	1	bot of Armstrong per bill			$55.83
	"	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$30.13
	"	bot of S J Golding per bill			
		for which I gave him note 3 months			$200.26
	4	total sales this week			$119.49
		expenses & for goods			$40.66
	6	hired Edwin Puddington			
		for three months with interest			$40.00
	6	took up note favour Ewing &			
		Pudding today			$315.75
	6	bot of Beard & Venning per bill			$31.37
	6	bot of Wm Hayward per bill			$6.32
	6	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$2.58
	11	total cash this week			$195.07
	"	paid out during week expenses			$25.93
	13	ot of C D Evert			$14.63
	13	bot of R E Puddington			$15.85
	13	bot of S J Golding per bill			
		for which we gave him three months note			$212.32
	13	took up note favour Hayward			
		for 132.22 today			$132.22
	13	bot of Beard & Venning per bill			$30.29
	13	bot of J E Whittaker per bill			$55.55
	13	bot of Wm Hayward per bill			$3.30
	13	bot of R E Puddington per bill of June 1			$37.55
	13	of R E Puddington per bill of June 1			$1.88
		18 bot of R E Puddington per bill			$49.13

		18 bot of John Armstrong per bill		$121.49
	18	Paid RE Puddington for W P F's		
		note for 200.00		$200.00
	18	gave D H Hall note for balance of		
		acct	$205.00	
		interest	$0.98	$205.98
	18	bot of D H Hall per bill		$15.90
	20	total cash sales week ending June 18		$176.81
	20	paid cash for goods & expenses same time		$118.65
	21	bot of I & F Burpee per bill June 18		$52.89
	23	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$126.26
	23	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$61.85
	23	bot of D H Hall per bill		$41.10
	23	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill		$25.63
	23	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$1.05
July	2	took up note today from		
		R E Puddington for 200.00 paying cash	$201.55	
		J S Wetmore note for		
		100.00 less discount	$98.45	$300.00
	2	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$8.88
	2	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$29.50
	2	bot of Chas A Bovey per bill		
		60 lbs flour @ 5.00	$300.00	
		40 lbs " @ 4.85	$194.00	
		10 bbl can meal @ 4.25	$42.50	$536.50
		discount sand for which we paid him	$8.21	$544.71
		W P F note for 200. less discount	$250.00	
		J S Wetmore's for	$138.15	
		our own for	$156.56	$544.71
	2	total cash sales during fortnight		$499.42
	2	paid cash for goods & expenses same time		$271.62
	6	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$12.02
	6	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$28.95
	6	bot of S J Golding 2 bbl herring @		
		3.50/4.50		$8.00
	9	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$9.78
	9	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$11.23
	9	total sales this week		$172.00
	"	expenses during same time		$42.64
	15	paid cash for note in bank		
		favour B & V today due 22		$202.11
	15	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$5.72
	15	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$37.94
	15	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill		$2.55
	15	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$45.95
	"	bot of B & V Oct 19 10.92 & interest .43		$11.35

	"	gave Beard & Venning note for balance		
		dated today		$122.47
	15	gave R E Pudding note for 250.00		
		dated July 21 1864		$250.00
	15	paid Wm Peters on acct		
		one hide 24 lbs @ .05		$1.20
	16	total cash sales this week		$308.00
	"	expenses during same time in cash		$14.21
	18	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$9.46
	23	took note in favour		
		Ennis & Gardner		$151.85
	"	took up note favour of Jas C Whittaker		$87.00
	"	paid D H Hall balance	$57.00	
		less discount	$5.70	$51.30
	23	total cash sales this week		$106.00
	"	expenses during week		$4.60
	26	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$10.93
	26	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$25.20
	26	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$149.20
	26	bot of Beard & Venning per bill		$5.25
July	26	took up note favour H M Ewing due today		$111.65
	30	total sales this week		$276.35
	30	expenses during week		$21.35
Aug	2	took up note favour of Underhill today		$102.82
	2	paid S K Foster balance per bill		$23.35
	2	bot of J D Underhill per bill	$127.14	
		for which we gave him note 3 months		$127.14
	2	bot of I W Puddington per bill		$35.00
	2	bot of John Armstrong per bill	$65.14	
		do do	$4.64	$69.78
	2	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$56.84
	2	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$3.55
	"	bot of J E Whittaker per bill		$5.60
	2	bot of D H Hall per bill		$74.85
	8	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$25.50
	8	bot of R E Puddington per bill Aug 3		$23.52
	"	bot of R E Puddington (omitted) in posting		
		Mar 28 per bill today		$74.39
	12	bot of Chas A Bovey per bill		
		molasses & beans	$108.93	
		for which we gave him 3months note		$108.93
	12	bot of J C Whittaker per bill		$15.65
	12	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$19.29
	12	bot of R E Puddington 121 lbs tea lead		$3.93
	12	bot of D H Hall per bill		$27.55
	12	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$23.48

	13	total sales this week		$461.00
	"	expenses during same time		$68.87
	13	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$2.85
	16	bot of I & F Burpee per bill 41.20/17.15		$58.35
	"	gave Armstrong notes for balance		$623.26
	16	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$15.50
	"	error in crediting Armstrong too much Feb 27		$5.00
	16	bot of R E Puddington		$4.88
	16	(omitted) bot of Whittaker per his [?]		$35.57
	16	gave J C Whittaker note for balance		$103.44
	16	took up note favour		
		R E Puddington due 19th		$300.00
	19	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$2.91
	19	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$39.93
	19	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$4.98
	22	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$31.80
	23	receipts for cash book to date		$227.84
	23	paid out to same date per do		$138.62
		bot of I & F Burpee omitted & [?]		$71.51
		[?] in [?] too much in stock acct		$10.21
	24	took up note favour Underhill		$81.25
		discount on paper ? Burpee allows us	$1.00	
		mail return	$10.08	$11.08
	26	gave I & F Burpee note		
		for balance per acct rendered		
		dated August 22		$595.01
	29	bot of C D Evert & Son Aug 19		$19.55
	30	bot of RE Puddington per bill Aug 24		$1.25
	"	gave Jas E Whittaker note for 117.19		
		in April @ took it up today		$117.19
	30	took note in favour C D Evert today		$63.86
	30	took up note favour of R E Puddington		$244.00
	30	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$9.33
	30	bot of Wm Peters per bill		$5.00
	30	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$5.23
	30	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$8.49
Aug	30	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$44.52
	30	gave R E Puddington note for		
		3 months due Dec 3		$150.00
	30	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$1.50
Sept	2	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$1.50
	3	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$143.62
	3	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$5.21
	3	bot of Geo F Evert per bill		$3.73
	3	bot of I & F Burpee do		$5.38
	3	bot of R E Puddington do		$4.40

	3	took up note today from		
		favour S J Golding for		$200.00
	3	paid I W Puddington per receipt		
		balance		$35.00
	6	bot of I & W Puddington 1 bbl shad		$6.50
	6	bot of B P Price per bill		$47.75
	5	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$9.16
	8	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$52.79½
	8	return him per receipt		$5.50
	8	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$25.39
	8	bot of B Price per bill		$3.58
	8	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$2.20
	9	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$3.75
	9	bot of D H Hall per bill		3.55
		gave him note for		$205.90
	9	took up note from R E Puddington		$207.90
Sept	10	total cash sales during fortnight ending this date		$1,185.55
	10	expenses paid during same time		$81.04
	12	bot of D H Hall per bill Sept 8		$3.75
	12	bot of Ennis & Gardner Sept 8		$15.81
	13	bot of Ennis & Gardner per bill		$16.61
	13	bot of D H Hall per bill		$109.80
	13	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$20.49
	13	paid C D Evert per receipt		$14.63
	13	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$36.50
	13	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$76.90
	16	took up note today favour		
		S J Golding for		$212.32
	"	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$8.52
	16	bot of C D Evert 1 hat		$1.75
	"	gave R E Puddington note		
		for 183.15 dated Sept 20		$183.15
	16	ot of B Price per bill Sept 13		$80.00
	17	total cash sales during week		$259.83
		" expenses during same time		$111.20
	21	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$9.49
	21	bot of R E Puddington per bill	$9.80	
		do do this date	$10.54	$20.34
	21	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$6.35
	21	took up note from D H Hall		$205.98
	24	total cash receipts during week		$350.13
		" expenses paid during same time		$15.13
Sept	28	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$22.19
	28	bot of D H Hall per bill		$77.50
	28	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$26.48
	28	paid B Price per receipt		$47.75

	28	paid I W Puddington per receipt		$6.50
	28	took up note from Daniel & Boyd		$200.00
Oct	1	total cash sales in week ending this date		$215.50
	"	expenses during same time		$49.53
	5	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$13.00
	10	paid J Armstrong & Co on acct		
		note due 4th inst. 200.00		$150.00
	10	paid cash for note from		
		Chas A Bovey on Oct 5		$156.56
	10	total cash sales during week ending Oct 8		$321.26
	"	expenses during same time		$9.21
	11	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		
		July 28 1864		$14.12
	5	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$1.65
	11	paid J Armstrong & Co on acct		
		of note due 4th and balance		$150.00
	11	gave Ennis & Gardner note		
		for balance dated Oct 11		$79.60
		84.10 less discount		$4.50
	15	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$192.32
	15	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$20.06
	"	paid B Price per receipt		$24.00
	"	gave I W Puddington note for		$73.47
		dated stuff bought of him that date		
	15	sold Wm Peters 70 lbs cow hide @ .05		$3.50
Oct	15	total cash receipts during week ending this date		$92.50
	"	expenses during same time		$44.14
	19	took up note favour Beard & Venning		$122.47
	21	bot of R E Puddington per bill Sept 28	$17.77	
		do do Oct 5	$1.90	
		do do Oct 18	$2.34	$22.01
		settled with Wm Hayward		
		at this date balance due him	$109.79	
		interest added	$2.82	$112.61
		gave him note for the amount		
		2 months dated Oct 18 1864		
	22	bot of Wm Hayward per bill		$24.71
	22	total cash sales during week		$230.31
	"	expenses during same time		$89.29
	22	gave Daniel & Boyd note for balance		
		June 25		$209.22
	24	bot of R E Puddington per bill Oct 22		$4.60
	24	bot of R E Puddington per bill this date		$13.94
	24	bot of I & F Burpee per bill Oct 16		$8.45
	24	paid B Price on acct		$18.00
	24	took up note favour of R E Puddington		
		for 250.00		$250.00

	24	gave R E Puddington note for		
		135.23 dated Oct 31 due Feb 2		$135.23
	31	bot of R E Puddington		$0.65
	31	gave Armstrong notes today for balance		$555.16
	31	gave Armstrong note today		
		for note due 4th	$323.26	
		interest	$3.34	$326.60
Nov	4	bot of Chas A Bovey		
		bot Aug 12 & omitted		$42.75
		Paid R E Puddington		
		on acct of note due Dec 3		$109.50
Dec	3	sold Wm Peters 166 lbs cow hide @		$9.13
	3	bot of Wm Peters per bill		$5.25
	3	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$3.25
	3	balance of cash receipts in week		
		ending this date after deducting		
		amount for expenses		$41.82
	7	bot of RE Puddington per bill		$89.64
	7	bot of D H Hall per bill		$39.50
	10	bot of John Armstrong per bill		$4.03
	10	bot of I & F Burpee		
		1 doz axes [?]		$12.57
	10	bot of R E Puddington		$3.68
	10	balance of cash receipts in week		$105.00
	13	took up note favour		
		D H Hall today		$205.70
	13	paid J D Underhill on acct		$35.00
	23	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$22.50
	26	took up note favour of R E Puddington		
		due 24th		$183.15
	29	bot of D H Hall rubbers per bill		$11.70
Dec	30	balance of cash at this date		$313.89
		took stock and [?] on hand as follows		
		cash	$18.13	
		less 216.80 borrowed	$216.80	
		leaving a balance less		$198.67
		goods		
		boots & shoes worth	$273.40	
		rubbers	$49.45	
		ready made clothing	$79.20	
		hats, caps &c	$24.32	
		earthenware	$43.31	
		tins	$6.70	
		lamps oil &c	$32.24	
		hardware	$337.97	
		dry goods	$531.32	
		skeletons	$15.05	

	groceries	$251.14		
	clocks toys &c	$20.40		
	books &c	$31.64		
	drugs & perfumery	$52.06		
	shop furniture & omissions	$155.55	$1.903.75	

Order for Plants for the Spring

April 20	William Patterson			
	Quaco St John Co			
	to be sent Steamer Earl Duffrin			
	12 roots of rhubarb		$2.00	
	(sent April 1876)			
April 20	D V Roberts St John			
	to be sent to care of R E Puddington & Co			
	100 Wilson's Albany Strawberry	$1.00		
	100 Scarlet Magnolia	$1.00		
	100 Downs Prolific	$1.00		
	100 Peaks Emperor	$1.00		
	100 Lenney's White	$2.00	$6.00	
	100 rasp plants		$3.00	$9.00
	(sent May 5 1876)			
	E G Scovil			
	Moose Path St John			
	2000 strawberry plants			
	assorted			
	1000 Wilsons Albany	$7.50		
	450 Scarlet Magnolia			
	200 Wilson & Magnolia			
	100 Wilson & Down	$5.62		
	50 Jucunda	$1.00		
	200 Col Cheeney	$6.00		
		$20.12		
	less 20% per lot		$16.00	
	(sent May 5 1867			
	Rev Robert Mutch			
	1 doz rhubarb roots		$2.00	
	R Hastings			
	Care of R E Puddington			
	100 Wilsons or magnolia		$1.00	
	(sent)			
	Dr N Sharp			
	Norton			
	100 Col Cheeney			
	50 Magnolias			
	(sent)			
June 14	at R E Puddington's for J M Kinnear		$0.50	
	25 Wilsons 25 magnolias		$0.50	

	50 Wilson to other		$31.10
April 28	Arthur F McLean St John		
	lots as follows		
	Geo Nevers		
	100 w strawberry plants	$1.00	
	12 rasp "	$0.50	$1.50
	Mrs S M Mungal		
	50 strawberry plants	$0.50	$0.50
	E Norton 100 do	$1.00	$1.00
	John Loade 50 strawberry do	$0.50	$0.50
	Edmund Street 100 do	$1.00	$1.00
	Isaac Stevens 100 do	$1.00	
	16 gooseberry bushes	$1.50	
	12 current do	$1.00	$2.50
	Rev R Simmons 200 strawberry		$1.50
	G W Mills 50 do		$0.50
	Chas Brown 50 do		$0.50
	Ann McGill 50 do		$0.50
	Arch Harrison 100 do		$1.00
	D Purdy (3 kinds) 100 do		$1.00
	N P Day 100 do		$1.00
	Mrs S Wasson 50 do		$0.50
	Wm A Garrison 100 do		$1.00
	Jerry B Sickney 100 do		$1.00
	F Jewet 100 (2 kinds)		$1.00
	A Andrews 100		$1.00
	Hugh Andrews 100		$1.00
	C W Upton 100		$1.00
	E N Briggs 200 green prolific		
	200 wilsons		
	100 magnolia		$3.75
	Thos Gale 6 gooseberry bushes		$0.50
	Mike Marr 50 strawberry		$0.50
	Mrs Arch McLean 50 strawberry		$0.50
	Arthur F McLean		
	1 doz rhubarb	$2.00	
	50 strawberry plants	$0.50	$2.50
			$28.25
	less discount ½ off		$14.12
	balance		$14.13
	F E Morton		
	Sussex		
	200 Col Cheeney		$4.00
	(sent)		
June 1	J E Ganong at R E Puddington		
	100 wilsons		$1.00

(sent)			
order for plants			
John M Walker Gottingen St Halifax			
bill to be sent R E Puddington		$50.64	
100 raspberry bushes (sent)		$3.00	
J Calkin jr to be sent to R E Puddington			
25 scarlet magnolia			
25 green prolific	$1.00		
25 downs prolific			
25 lealfox (none) 25 [?]			
1 doz raspberry	$0.50	$1.50	
(sent			
O R Arnold, Sussex			
50 raspberry plants	$1.50		
1 onetimed hoe	$0.25	$1.75	
(sent May 10 1876)			
Hon J N Crawford, Hampton			
150 wilsons	$1.50		
75 magnolia	$0.75		
50 Downers	$0.50		
25 Col Cheeney	$0.25	$3.00	
(sent May 10th 1867			
J Bullock care of R E Puddington			
25 wilsons	$0.25		
25 scarlet magnolia	$0.25		
25 downers prolific	$0.25		
25 col cheeney	$0.75	$1.50	
(sent May 12)			
Mrs Swift care of R E Puddington			
100 raspberry plants	$3.00		
(sent May 12)			
Gen D B Warren, Rothesay			
100 magnolia	$1.00		
100 downers prolific	$1.00		
100 colfox (no colfox)			
col cheeney sent instead	$1.00	$3.00	
(sent May 15 1876)			
A W Masters care of R E Puddington			
200 wilson albany		$2.00	
(sent May 18 1876)			
Hon. J A McMillan, St John			
200 strawberry plants		$2.00	
sent by mail May 22 1876 pd May 24 1876			
Richard Thompson St John 100 plants			
W B Drake at Berryman's 150 plants		$1.13	
John Chaloner care of R E Puddington 1½			
doz rasp plants		$0.75	$69.77

		[Accounts continue again for 1864]		
Dec	31	paid I W Puddington on acct		
		of note due today		$40.50
Jan	2	took up note favour		
		Ennis & Gardner today by		
		giving new note 79.60 & interest		$1.32
		8 paid I W Puddington balance of note		
		due Dec 31		$32.93
		& expenses of protest		$0.60
		8 bot of C A Bovey & omitted Nov 28		
		per invoice		$110.25
		8 paid him today on acct of it		$11.00
		8 bot of I & F Burpee		
		1 box axes		$12.00
		8 bot of I & F Burpee per bill	$3.79	
		21 took up note favour		
		Wm Hayward for	$112.61	
		by paying cash	$30.00	
		and new note balance	$82.61	
		& interest	$1.25	$112.61
	21	paid Bovey on acct of flour		$10.00
	21	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$22.55
	21	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$4.96
	21	bot of J Armstrong per bill		$41.78
	26	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$22.00
	31	bot of I & F Burpee 3 lbs thread @ .4		$1.20
	31	bot of J Armstrong per bill		$93.28
	31	paid C A Bovey on acct		$30.00
	31	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$23.50
Feb	13	bot of I & F Burpee 6 lb [?]		$3.05
		bot of I & F Burpee per bill Feb 10	$8.43	
		less can overcharge	$0.75	$7.68
	13	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$58.29
	13	gave D H Hall note for		$150.00
	20	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$34.57
	"	D H Hall took up my note dated Nov 19		$98.70
	27	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$10.00
Mar	4	sold Wm Peters one hide		
		46 lbs @ .05		$2.30
		4 bot of R E Puddington		$9.74
	15	bot of I & F Burpee 1 doz files		$0.90
	23	Paid I Puddington on acct		
		of goods March 6	$13.00	
		do do do 20	$20.00	$33.00
	23	Paid Chas A Bovey on acct		$20.00
	23	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$15.63

April	8	bot of D H Hall			$5.20
	8	bot of I & F Burpee			$4.65
	12	bot of R E Puddington April 6			$80.94
	"	gave R E Puddington note dated April for			$175.19
	12	gave D H Hall my note for			
		J S Wetmore for dated April 10			$207.70
	19	acct against R E Puddington			
		in cash book			$36.65
	19	bot of Wm Peters per bill			
		per W P F			$2.50
May	8	bot of R E Puddington per bill			$74.65
May	12	Bot of D H Hall per bill			$29.35
		12 paid B Price on acct			$20.00
		20 bot of J & R Titus per bil			$139.02
	"	bot of Wm Hayward per bill			$4.28
	"	bot of John Armstrong per bill			$69.43
	"	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$31.61
	26	bot of R E Puddington per bill May 12			$62.50
	26	bot of R E Puddington per bill today			$2.58
	"	bal of RE Puddington per bill			
			21-Feb		$55.00
	26	paid R E Puddington			
		W P F note for		$125.00	
		less discount		$1.85	$123.15
	26	paid R E Puddington May 24			$1.85
	26	paid R E Puddington Feb 10			$39.00
	27	bought of J & R Titus per bill			$86.98
	31	bought of I & F Burpee per bill			$1.75
June	2	bot of R Titus per bill balance May 2			$2.25
	2	bot of R E Puddington			$4.00
	2	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$16.45
	"	bot of R & J Titus per bill			$11.31
	"	bot of Beard & Venning per bill			$24.02
	2	paid for goods without bill & [?]			$2.09
	3	bought of W Hayward & Co per bill			$10.39
		6 bot of D H Hall per bill			$21.00
	7	bot of R E Puddington jan 13		$2.40	
			12-Apr	$3.20	$5.60

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[Script looks like new bookkeeper]

June	14	bot of R E Puddington per bill			$7.11
	14	bot of I & F Burpee per bill			$1.74
		paid J Armstrong & Co per bill		$10.33	

	"	for candies	$2.95	
	"	for tins	$4.43	
		expense &c	$0.62	$18.33
June	20	paid W D Wetmore wages for May		$9.00
	24	paid J Armstrong & Co W P F note	$82.70	$82.66
	24	bought of J Armstrong & Co per bill		$65.26
	24	bot of I & F Burpee per bill		$4.42
	"	bot of W N Hayward & Co per bill		$3.21
	"	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$29.11
	"	paid R E Puddington for 1 bbl sugar	$19.63	
	"	paid G D Everett & Co per bill	$7.59	
	"	paid for codfish	$4.90	
	"	druggists bill	$4.20	
	"	for books at Hall's	$1.31	
	"	goods without bills & expenses	$2.22	$39.85
June	26	paid C A Bovey balance due him per receipt		$33.00
July	3	paid G F Whelpley for meat		$4.42
		3 bot of J Armstrong & Co per bill		$56.14
	"	bot of John McGrath 1 bbl Albertine per bill		$23.25
	"	paid for codfish per bill	$13.00	
		paid for candles	$4.45	
		expense &c	$0.92	$18.37
	4	gave R E Puddington note for 140.00 dated June 20 1865		$140.00
	7	bot of R E Puddington July 3 per bill		$123.34

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	14	paid R & J Titus W P Flewelling		
		note dated June 30		$100.00
	14	Bot of D H Hall per bill		$64.80
	17	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$19.47
	25	paid B Price balance	$11.58	
		interest & [?]	$1.41	$12.99
	25	paid C A Bovey balance		$21.30
	25	bot of R E Puddington per bill		$1.30
August	5	Took up Wetmore & Puddington's		
		note favour John Brien due Aug 1 for		$40.00
	"	paid G Merritt money borrowed		$40.00
	"	took up my note from W P Flewelling		
		due July 22, for	$200.00	
		with 1½ years interest	$18.00	$218.00
		on July 22		
	24	paid cash for goods in city this day		$24.00
	"	paid postage stamps sold during quarter		
		ending July 31 to St John office		$6.57
	28	paid Mrs Reardon money borrowed		
		some time since		$40.40
	"	paid Howard wages for		
		July some time since		$12.00
	"	took up a note favour J Brien for		$33.71

[Theme changes again]

		House and Personal Expenses		Dr	Cr
1870					
Nov	1	to 6½ doz clothes pins	$0.18		
		to 1 box blacking	$0.05		
	1	to 11 hens & chickens fr RJF	$1.75		
	2	to 1 cow per WWW	$16.20		
	"	to pair shoes for Mrs W	$0.90		
	"	to 1 gal parafin	$0.40	$17.50	
		5 to half quarter lamb		$0.40	
		2 By butter sold			$1.00
		6 to 1 chicken from Lena		$0.20	
	8	By butter sold			$1.00
	9	to 2 gals molasses @ .48		$0.96	
	"	to sugar		$1.00	
	"	14 ginger		$0.30	
	"	1 piece braid @ .06 2 doz buttons @ .04		$0.10	
		10 to D Reardon's bill for			
		shoemaking & cobbling to date		$3.00	
		12 to 52 lbs pork @ .08	$0.44		
		to 1 bbl ink @ .03		$0.47	

		By 3 1½ lbs butter @ .25			$7.87
	"	to 1½ doz buttons @ .04		$0.06	
	"	paid Amelia for sewing		$0.70	
	"	By half bbl apples			$0.63
	13	to cash to collection		$0.10	
	15	to postage stamps to date		$0.30	
	15	By 2 lbs butter sold			$0.54
	16	To mutton @ .59 parafin @ .40		$0.99	
	17	To heifer bought for beef		$9.50	
	18	By 2 lbs butter sold			$0.54
	19	By 27 qt. milk sold to date			$0.81
	19	To bladder putty @ .54 2 padlocks .30		$0.84	
	20	to cash to collection		$0.03	
	21	To ½ pk fine salt @ .10 yarn @ .08		$0.18	
	"	5 yd cotton .12, 2 yds naburg .15		$0.90	
	"	2 lamp chimneys @ .10		$0.20	
	22	To 1 spelling book		$0.20	
	24	By 1½ lbs butter sold			$0.34
		" By 2 lbs butter sold			$0.54
	25	1 lamp chimneys		$0.08	
	26	By 1 lbs butter sold			$0.27
		" To 1 yd stuff	$0.24		
		To expenses at Kingston	$0.27	$0.51	
	27	To collection .05 repairing shoes .50	$0.55		
	26	To cash to Amelia Flewelling		$1.00	
	29	To 7 lb pork @ .10		$0.70	
	26	By 13 qt. milk sold in week to date			$0.39
				$44.75	$13.93
	"30	to balance		$28.82	
	(over)				

House and Personal Expenses

				Dr	Cr
		Bact over		$28.82	
Dec	1	To 2 lamp chimneys @ .10		$0.20	
	2	To 1 box blacking .04 ink .03		$0.07	
	3	To 1½ gals parafin, blacking, ink		$0.67	
		" By 1 lb butter, 16 qt. milk			$0.75
	4	To cash for collection, (6)2 gal Mil .96		$1.08	
	6	To 1 lb soda biscuit .12		$0.12	
	8	To 1 Almanac .10, copy book .05		$0.15	
	10	To sugar		$1.00	
	14	to 3 ½ lbs steak .32 1 chimney .08		$1.08	
	"	By 2 lb butter sold			$0.54
	"	To 1 gal parafin		$0.40	
	17	to expenses in city 1.50	$1.60		
	"	to nuts, candies & applied	$0.75		
	"	to 1 shovel .90 dominoes .90	$1.80		
	"	to bakers bread .07		$5.12	

	"	to 2 lbs raisins @ .16		$0.32	
	19	1to 1 box dishes .35 1 book .20		$0.55	
	"	1 doll		$0.25	
	26	2½ yds red flannel @ .42		$0.95	
	"	1 net @ .07 1 pair shoes for Louise .45		$0.52	
	"	crushed sugar		$0.50	
	27	to 1 pk apples		$0.50	
	"	to 4 handkerchiefs .16, necktie .50	$0.66		
	"	book .06, over shoes 1.90, cap 1.25	$2.21		
	"	candy .20, sop .20, bill .80	$1.20		
	"	13 lbs lard @ .18	$2.34		
		horse feed .20, biscuit .06	$0.26	$6.67	
		31 to 2 gal mol. .96, 1 gal parafin		$1.36	
	"	to 1 bbl flour last week		$7.35	
		to whip on 27th		$0.30	
	"	by 64 qt. milk to date			$3.20
	"	by receipts from heifer			$12.00
				$57.30	$16.49
		to balance		$40.81	
Jan	3	to 1 lamp 2.35, photographs 4.00	$6.35		
	"	horse feed & chimnies	$0.80		
		incidentals .25, per Mrs W 3.62	$3.87		
		books .50	$0.50	$10.52	
		4 to 1 pk apples (omitted)		$0.50	
	6	to 1 shovel .35, sugar 1.00, tes .50,			
		hay 9.00		$10.85	
	7	to 2 gal oil .80 fish .13		$0.93	
	11	to buttons .16, twist .03		$0.19	
	13	to 1 lb coffee @ .35		$0.35	
	14	to studs .30, overshoes 1.35, books 1.10			
		to paper fronts .24, cuffs .20, apples .46		$3.21	
	14	by 4 lbs butter sold @ .26			$1.16
		by 12 qt. milk @ .05			$0.60
				$67.36	$1.76
		(over)			
		House & Personal Expenses		**Dr**	**Cr**
1871					
		brot over		$67.36	$1.76
Jan	14	paid Cassie Bates		$1.75	
	19	to 1 gal vinegar		$0.30	
	"	by 1 lb butter sold			$0.26
	21	by 2 lbs butter .52, 6 fowl 1.80	$2.32		
		by 24 qt. milk to date	$1.20		$3.52
	"	to dinner .30, horse .30 sugar 1.00	$1.60		
	"	coffee .33, soda 5 lbs .25	$0.58		
	"	hand sled 1.25, apples .50	$1.75		

	"	school cards	$1.55		
		buttons .03, books .20	$0.33	$5.81	
		23 to 1 gal mall	$0.48		
		25 to 1 reel .07, 1 yd ribbon .07, yarn .10		$0.24	
	26	1 bot liniment		$0.25	
	28	to 29 lbs soap @ .07?		$2.18	
	"	incidental expenses	$0.30		
	"	to 6 bush oats @ .45	$2.88	$3.18	
	"	by 2 lbs butter @ .26	$0.52		
		by 13 qt. milk @ .05	$0.65	$1.17	
Feb	4	to 1 gal parafin		$0.40	
	2	to 2 lamp chimneys .08		$0.16	
	7	to 1 gal mol		$0.48	
	9	to 1 chimney .08, 1 do .10		$0.18	
	10	by 5½ lbs butter sold .26			$1.43
	11	by 3 lbs butter .76, 22 qts milk 1.10	$1.86		
	11	by 3½ doz eggs @ .28	$0.98		$2.84
	"	to sweet oil .30, grahams lin. .43	$0.55		
		camphire .50, apples .25, cards .43	$1.18		
		gloves .75, files .19	$0.94	$2.67	
		by oats charged in error			$2.88
	13	to 1 yd flannel .48, matches .12		$0.60	
	18	to net .12, fist .06, postage .05, candy .03	$0.24		
	"	to postage stamps	$3.25		
		extras to Padgett	$0.75		
	"	to ham 38 lbs @ 13½ flour 7.25	$12.38		
		butter salt .20, pans .50, blacking .05	$0.75		
		coat binding .16, collars .30	$0.46		
		2 linen fronts .30, dinner .30	$0.90		
		2 baskets .15, bootlaces .05	$0.35	$19.09	
	"	by 2 lbs butter .26, 11 qts milk .55	$1.07		
		by beets 1 bbl	$1.75		$2.82
	24	to 1 gal mol		$0.48	
	"	by 1 lb butter sold			$0.26
	"	½ doz eggs @ .26			$0.13
Feb	28	to 2 gals oil .80, biscuits .12		$0.92	
		by 1 lb butter .26, 17 qts milk .05			$1.11
				$104.53	$18.18
		to balance (over			
		House & Personal Expenses		$86.35	
		brot over		$86.35	
Mar	4	to 1 pr rubbers (women's)		$55.00	
	7	to 1 lb biscuits		$0.12	
	9	to 1½ cod fish .06		$0.56	
	10	to 1 box smoked herring		$0.40	
	"	¼ yd black Hussein		$0.06	

	"	to sugar .14, 8? lbs rice .50		$1.00	
	14	to 1 pr rubbers (mens)		$0.60	
	"	2 chimneys .08		$0.16	
	17	to 1 gal mol .48, 1 lb tea .55		$1.03	
	"	2 yds print @ .16, reel .07, pins .05		$0.44	
	"	1½ yd twist @ .04		$0.06	
	20	to sugar 1.00, 2 yds elastic @ .03		$1.06	
		by 6 doz eggs @ .17			$1.50
	25	by 8¾ doz eggs @ .17			$1.48
	"	to 1 pr black gloves mens 8		$0.35	
	"	to 1 broom .35, 1 lb candy 1.00	$0.65		
		to latin dictionary 2.50, cards 1.00	$3.50		
		to Caesar 1.80, expenses	$2.80		
		to 1 pkg raisins	$0.10		
		to subscribe to les. gent	$2.25		
		"Every Saturday" .50, 2 balloons .25	$0.75	$10.05	
		to present to Father mea.8		$5.00	
	27	to horse feed .30, dinner .30	$0.60		
		to fees to rifle club	$0.50	$1.00	
	29	to ½ lb salts		$0.05	
	31	to 2 gal mol .96, 6 lb M sugar .06	$1.32		
	"	to milk sold during month 28 qts			$1.40
		by ½ doz eggs sold			$0.08
				$110.16	$4.46
		to balance		$105.70	
Apr	1	to 3½ lbs codfish .20, 2 yds braid		$0.30	
	8	to lustre @ .15, 50 lb meal 1.30		$1.53	
		1 chimney .10, braces .30		$0.40	
		2 gals parafin .40		$0.40	
	8	to 1 pr pants 5.25, 1 hat 2.00		$7.25	
	"	9½ lbs maple candy .15		$1.43	
	20	to 3½ lbs dried apples		$0.50	
	"	to expenses in city $		1.00	
	22	to black coat & vest	$20.00		
		to boots 3.50, gaiters 4.00	$7.50		
		to expenses .19, chimney	$0.84	$28.34	
	22	to 1 lot Kiersteads medicine		$0.50	
		to 2 pkg dye .10, 1 doz col reels .18		$0.38	
	24	to white sugar .50, laces .08, elastic .03		$0.56	
	"	by 2 lbs butter sold @ .26			$0.52
	"	by 30 qt. milk sold this month			$1.50
Apr	29	to expenses in Sussex			
		prize, books & expenses		$5.00	
				$154.44	$2.02
		to balance		$152.42	

House & Personal Expenses

1871		to balance over		$152.42	
May	1	to col reel		$0.10	
	5	to 1 gal vinegar .30 codfish .29		$0.59	
	"	1 yd braid		$0.03	
	10	to ¼ yd crape @ 1.15		$0.15	
	"	to 2 yds braid		$0.06	
	20	to 1 bbl flour 7.50, paint oil .95	$8.45		
	"	to 1 pr long boots 4.50, 1 pr slippers 1.00	$5.50		
		to copper toes .85, baby shoes .50	$1.35		
		to rubber balls .20, Tennison poems 1.12	$1.32		
		to expenses 1.00, 2 yds cotton .26	$1.26	$17.88	
	26	to bootlaces .10, 1 broach .50		$0.60	
	"	1 oz nutmeg		$0.07	
	31	to sugar 1.50, 1 lb tea .55, elastic .06		$2.11	
		by milk sold this month 49 qts @ .05			$2.45
				$174.01	$2.45
				$171.56	
		June 16 to sugar 1.00, 2 gal mol .46		$1.92	
		1 pr shoes for Howard		$0.75	
	14	4 yds cotton .16, 1 yd .09, 1 yd print .20		$0.93	
	"	1 yd black ribbon		$0.17	
	16	4 pineapples .10		$0.40	
	"	1 military coat 20.00, 1 m. cap 1.50		$21.50	
	"	to ½ bal flour		$3.75	
	"	1 bal meal		$4.25	
	17	to expenses to Sussex		$0.70	
	30	by butter sold this month 24 lbs @ .25			$6.00
	"	by 28 qts milk sold @ .05			$1.40
July	3	to 1 pc braid		$0.06	
	4	to sugar 1.00, fine salt .13		$1.13	
	8	to 3½ lbs lamb		$0.32	
	11	to berries		$0.20	
	13	to "		$0.14	
		to 1 net .12, towels .10		$0.32	
		2 gal mol		$0.92	
	21	to goods per bill		$7.53	
	"	1 pr boots 1.10, 1 comb .10, candy .08		$1.36	
	29	to fly paper .12, 1 bot sweet oil .25		$0.37	
		1 box tape .25, 1 yd fulling .18, 1 hat .30		$0.73	
		1 album, 1 lb biscuits .12			
		1 hat .90, 1 do, 1 sm hat .25			
		25 lb br sugar 2.69 (29) sugar 1.00		$3.69	
	29	1 lb tea			

1871

July	29	by 15 lb butter sold this month		$3.45
	"	20 qts milk sold @ .05		$1.00
Oct	7	to 1 chimney .10, 9 yds print @ .10	$1.63	
	"	1 lb tea .55	$0.55	
	18	2 yds cotton .12 2 reels .07	$0.38	
	"	2½ yds [o]snaburg .12, 2 gals vinegar	$0.90	
	"	½ gal parafin .40	$0.20	
	"	1 gal mol .48	$0.48	
	27	to 5 yds cotton .15, 5 yds braid .15	$0.90	
	"	1 lb coffee .35, ½ lb pepper .10	$0.45	
	"	1 pr laces .02, 2 lamp chimneys .20	$0.22	
	"	5 ga parafin .37	$1.85	
		30 to sugar 2.50, 1 pr copper toes .17	$2.57	
	31	paid Lizzie Bates for 1½ months work	$5.25	
	"	to 1 pr rubbers	$0.50	
	"	to 1 bal flour	$7.75	
Nov	5	to 3 lamp chimneys .10	$0.30	

[Another change of use]

Orders for strawberry & rasb. plants for spring of 1874

Norton, Sussex Station
300 strawberry plants mixed (good)
75 rasp plants (about the 18th May)
current & gooseberry
Frances Ruddock
200 strawberry plants to be left in care of
R E Puddington
wilson's, albany & Col S Cheeney
Abner M Carmen
Woodstock $1.24 worth

[Another change of use]

Berry Pickers for 1873

strawberries	Sam I Jenkins
Wm Bates	Mary Jenkins
Julia Bates	Genevieve Wetmore
Geo Pickett	Howard Wetmore
Jas Rearden	John R Flewelling

Strawberry pickers 1874

1 Jane Jenkins 14	4 Louisa Waddell
2 Sam Jenkins ?	5 Nancy Waddell 11
3 Mary Jenkins 7	6 Emma Harrity 13

7	Mary " 8	17	Edna Wetmore
8	Johnny "	18	Susie McMurray
9	Martha Kilpatrick	19	Genevieve Wetmore 17
10	Annie "	20	Howard Wetmore 8
11	Jemina Keirstead 12	21	Ormond Wetmore 3
12	Charlotte "	22	Geo Wetmore
13	Amelia T Flewelling 25	23	Laura Flewelling
14	Fanny Gorham 17	24	Clara Flewelling
15	Julia Flewelling	25	Olive Flewelling 8
16	Susie "	26	Sarah Waddell

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May		**Provision Account commenced**			
		May 1 1874			
	7	to 1 gal molasses		$0.50	
	9	to 1 bbl flour	$7.40		
		to 1 bag grahams	$4.25		
		to 1 [h]eam 20 lbs	$3.20		
		to 25 lbs sugar	$2.50		
		to 25 lbs oat meal	$1.00		
		to 5 lbs tea @ .50	$2.50		
		to maple sugar	$2.25	$23.10	
	14	to 3 ½ lbs beef steak @ .16	$0.56		
		to 1 lb corn starch	$0.15		
		to 1 lb butter	$0.30		
		to 2 doz eggs .20	$0.40	$1.41	
		to 1 lb coffee	$0.40	$0.40	
	25	to 1 lb ginger		$0.30	
	26	to 2 gal molasses .48		$0.96	
	"	to 10 lb corn meal		$0.20	
	26	to 1 doz eggs		$0.15	
	28	to sugar		$0.50	
	30	to 1 doz eggs		$0.15	
	"	to 10 lbs corn meal		$0.20	
		to 1 bbl sugar 270 lbs @ 9 ½		$26.36	
		to ½ lb nutmeg	$0.32		
		5 lb soda	$0.50		
		12 lb soda biscuit	$1.20	$2.02	
June	"	to 1 gal parafin	$0.35		
June	16	to 2 gal molasses .48	$0.48	$0.96	
	12	to 7 lb butter @ 26		$1.82	
	24	to 3 lb butter @ 25		$0.75	
	"	to butter salt		$0.13	
	"	by sugar to Justus			$4.50
	"	by sugar to Henry			$1.00

July	30	to ham		
	12	to 4 lbs butter @ 25		$1.00
	13	to crushed sugar		$1.00
	"	to beef		
	"	to 1 doz eggs		
	"	to 1 lb coffee		$0.35
	16	by sugar to Henry		
		25 lbs sugar		

[Another change of use]

Cost of breaking up piece of land
for buckwheat on top of hill between
meadow & brook, about 2 acres

1875

June	11	to 1 days work of 4 men @	$1.00	$4.00
	12	to 1 days work of 2 men	$1.00	$2.00
		to ½ day work of 2 men	$1.00	$1.00
	12	to team 1½ day to date		$3.00
	12	to self 1 day		$1.50
	14	to ½ day work of 2 men		
		4 men & team		$3.00
	16	1 days work with team 2 men		$4.00
	18	to 1 hours work sowing	$0.15	
	"	to quarter day harrowing with team	$0.75	$0.90
	24	to one days work 4 men horses		$5.50
July	25	to ½ day work 4 men & team		$1.50
		3 to 2 days work of 4 men & team		$8.00
	5	to 1 day work of 2 men & team		$4.00
	6	to ½ days work of 2 men & team		$2.00
Sept				$40.40
	4	to 5 men & team 1 day work		$6.50
	"	to 3 men & horse ½ day		$2.00
	"	to 2 men ½ day		$0.50
	6	to 3 men & horse 1 day		$4.00
	"	paid Jos. Bates for digging 2 drains		
		23 rods in all @ .50 cents per rod		$11.50
		6 days work in filling covering the same		
		2 men & self		$6.00
	7	1 day with team & 2½ days of men		$3.50
	8	½ days work		$1.50
	9	2 ½ days work & ½ day team		$3.50
	10	3 half days work		$1.50
	18	expenses in week ending this date		$3.00
	20	3 men & team ½ day		$2.00

	21	work on this date		$1.00
	22	3 men & team ½ day & ½ day 1 man		$2.50
	23	5 men & team ½ day		$3.00
Oct				$90.40
	16	to work on field in week ending this date from men book		$8.00
	23	work on field in week ending this date from men book		$23.20
	30	to work on field in week ending this date from men book		$26.00
Nov		total to date		$147.60
	6	work on field in week ending this date from men book		$20.75
		total cost of preparing field		$168.35
1876	brought over			$168.35
April		1 day hauling stone 2 men		$3.00
		1 day blasting		$1.00

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[Another change of use]

1877		**Orders for plants for spring 1877**		
Apr	30	to be sent by train		$19.33
		Tingley & Sons		
		Hopewell Corner A. Co		
		5000 wilsons albany @ 5.00 per 1000	$25.00	
		less 20% discount 5.00	$5.00	$20.00
Apr	17	L. S. Pickett, Millstream		
		200 strawberry plants		
		kinds not mentioned		$1.50
		100 Col Cheeney 100 downs		
Apr	17	Alex Morrison, Chatham		
		100 downs prolific	$0.75	
		100 Kentucky	$1.50	
		200 Col Cheeney	$4.00	
		1 doz Antwerp Raspberries	$0.50	
		3 " white "		$6.75
		Send bill to R E Puddington		
		plants to Alex Morrison		
		R E Puddington & Co		
May	1	for R B Gilmour Esq		
		50 wilsons albany .37½		
		50 green prolific .37½		
		1 doz Kentucky	$0.40	

		1 doz Col Cheeney	$0.50	
		1 " Red Raspberry	$0.50	$2.15
Apr	24	J W Betcher Esq. Halifax		
		100 Scarlet Magnolia	$0.75	
		100 Col Cheeney instead		
		of 100 Colfax	$1.50	$2.25
		& 100 Scarlet Magnolia	$0.75	
		100 downs prolific	$0.75	
		100 Jucunda	$1.50	
		200 wilsons albany	$1.50	$4.50
		S W Pitcailly		
May	4	mess. by Stewart & Co St John		
		100 wilsons	$0.75	
		100 downers	$0.75	
		12 Col Cheeney	$0.50	$2.00
		filled to this date		$56.98
		100 wilson's for Capt. Quick		
		to be sent to R E Puddington		$0.75
	100	R E Puddington & Co		
	1 doz	rasp	$3.00	
	1 doz	Col Cheeney	$0.50	
	1 doz	magnolia	$0.12	
	1 doz	green prolifics	$0.12	
	1 doz	wilsons	$0.12	
	1 doz	Sriomphe	$0.40	
		Jucunda	$0.40	$4.66
	200	Rev. Robt. Mutch		
		rasp. slips		$5.00
	200	Jos Morrison		
		wilsons (filled)		$1.50
	1300	John E Ganong		
		strawberry plants @ 4.00		
		to be paid by R E Puddington		$5.20
	100	C E Grovener		
		rasp plants (2.00 pd)		$3.00
	200	Wm Law & Co, Yarmouth, NS		
	67	wilsons	$1.50	
		magnolia	$0.50	$2.00
		to be sent by steam Dominion		
		Oliver [?]		
	100	R E Puddington & Co		
		rasp plants		$3.00
		R E Puddington & Co		
	½ doz	for Geo Gerow		
		each		
	1 doz	red dutch & Col Cheeney	$1.00	

	rasp plants		$0.50	$1.50
				$83.59
1878	**Order for plants for 1877**			
	brot over			$83.59
	C F [Buetis]			
100	for Chas Leon			
150	Col Cheeney		$2.00	
	wilsons		$1.12	$3.12
50	R E Puddington & Co			
12	wilsons	.37½		
	Jucunda		$0.40	
	[?]	.15¼		$0.93
1878	**Orders for plants 1878**			
1-May				
1600	F P Sharp, Woodstock			
200	wilsons			
200	col cheeney			
2-May	magnolia			$8.00
200	H C McMonagh, Hampton			
2-May	wilsons		$0.75	$1.50
355	Jas B Moody			
100	col cheeney			
2-May	wilsons			$5.00
	R E Puddington & Co			
	for Alex Morrison, Chatham (express)			
200	to be sent to Chatham			
100	wilsons		$1.50	
50	col cheeney		$2.00	
	rasp plants		$1.50	$5.00
	100 white rasp plants were wanted			
	but I had none & in that case to send			
	few red			
200	N J Stevens, Moncton Times, Moncton			
50	wilsons		$1.50	
	rasp plants		$1.50	
	he has paid for with adv.			
100	Saul Watt's, McAdam Junction			
50	wilsons		$0.75	
50	magnolia		$0.38	
	col cheeney		$1.00	$2.13
6 crates	Solomon Denton, Scotchton, Grand Lake			
6	324 berry boxes @ 1.00		$3.24	
	empty crates @ .20 ea		$1.20	
	freight less int. 5.04		$4.44	
6-May			$29.09	

	R S Deveber Esq.		
100	T H Deveber & Sons, Prince W Stat		
	St John		
100	wilsons	$0.75	
100	col cheeney	$2.00	
	magnolia	$0.75	$3.50
	by Mail to:		
	Rev. B Shaw, Mouth of Jemseg,		
	Cambridge, Queen's Co		
100	about 300 strawberry plants		
100	wilsons		
100	magnolia		
7-May	col cheeney		
	R E Puddington & Co		
50	for Douglas Wetmore, St George		
50	Scarlet Magnolia	$0.38	
50	Jucunda	$0.75	
7-May	Downs Prolific	$0.38	$1.51
	R E Puddington & Co		
100	for A W Masters		
200	wilsons	$0.75	
9-May	Scarlet Magnolia	$1.50	$2.25
	R E Puddington & Co		
100	for John Beatty		
50	wilsons	$0.75	
	1 doz magnolia	$0.38	
	rasp plants	$0.50	$1.63
1 doz	Lewis J Almon, Rothesay		
	rasp plants		$0.50
	R E Puddington & Co		
150	for unknown		
50	wilsons	$0.75	
	col cheeney	$1.00	$2.15
	W E Spike, Aylesford Station, Nova Scotia		
50	S. Sh. Empress)		
25	Scarlet Magnolia	$0.38	
25	Jucunda	$0.38	
50	Downs Prolific	$0.19	
1	wilsons	$0.38	
	hoe	$0.27	$1.60
	R E Puddington & Co		
50	for D J Schurman		
25	col cheeney	$1.00	
25	wilsons	$0.19	
	magnolia	$0.19	$1.38
			$43.57

	brought over		$43.57
	R E Puddington & Co		
50	for D J Schurman (second order)		
25	Col Cheeney	$1.00	
25	Wilson	$0.19	
	Magnolia	$0.19	$1.38
	R E Puddington		
50	for N Whiteside		
50	Col Cheeney	$1.00	
	R E Puddington		
50	for T B Smith		
1 doz	Scarlet Magnolia	$0.38	
	Col Cheeney	0.50	$0.88
	James Patterson, Quaco		
800	to be sent to St John & then by sloop		
	to Quaco		
100	wilsons	$4.00	
21-May	Col Cheeney	$2.00	$6.00
	R E Puddington		
	100 for J M Herrington		
6-Jun	wilsons	$0.75	$0.75
100	J R Fraser, Moncton		
20	wilsons		
	downers		$2.00
6-Jun	by mail		
400	J Heeny Phair, F'ton		
	berry boxes in flat	$0.75	$3.00

[A newspaper clipping is glued to the inside back cover of the book. It reads as follows:]

The time intervening between harvest and the approach of cold weather, will enable those who love winter flowers, to make proper provision for keeping them. For the purpose of showing how this may be done without great expense, I will give you a few points from personal experience.

Having kept a small collection of plants for several months in a cold pit and a parlor bay window, I concluded last October to try another plan. My wife, who is the first florist of the family, suggested that we enlarge our cold pit and convert it into a small greenhouse. As in these things her wish is law, the excavation of the pit was enlarged to a space 18 x 19 feet in size, with an average depth of nearly four feet below the surface. The location is in a sheltered place, with a south-east exposure. A stone wall, a foot in thickness, was built around the sides of the pit or cellar, as high as the surface of the ground. Above the ground the wall was continued with brick – two layers of four inches each, with two-inch air space between. This was carried to

a height of three feet at the back and eighteen inches in the front, with gables rising still further . This gave a headway of at least six feet inside at the lowest place, and probably ten feet at the highest point. The roof was made with the largest slope towards the sun about one-third of it sloping backward, with a steeper pitch. A ridge pole runs from one end to the other, and the rafters are fitted to it with spaces nine inches wide between them. Glass seven by nine inches in size was used for the covering. There are two openings in the roof for ventilation. All the work was done by men who were without experience in this line, but it has been found to answer the purpose well.

The house is heated in cold weather by a brick furnace and flue, built by an ordinary mason, with some help and advice from the owner. The furnace door is in the outside wall, near one corner, and is reached by a pit made for the purpose, with a shed roof over it. The fire space is large enough for ordinary stove wood, but is fitted with grate bars. From the upper and back part of the fire place a brick flue about five by eight inches , made by setting bricks on edge, runs about ten feet. Here it is connected with a terra-cotta six inch pipe, with a bend which allows the flue to cross the end of the house.. The pipe after traversing two sides of the building, passes out through the wall, where another elbow is attached, giving it a perpendicular direction. It ascends about eight feet, and the flue draws so well that hard Lehigh coal is kindled with ease. An attempt at first made to warm the house with a coal stove, was a failure, and killed many plants. The furnace has proved a complete success. The building is fitted inside with shelves and potting tables, in the usual way. Wetmore was obtained from a faucet connected with the service pipe of the premises, and the sprinkling is usually done with a hose, for which there is ample pressure. The entire cost, was about $125.

During the last winter the house was most entirely cared for by my wife. She attended to the potting, transplanting, and watering of everything, almost without assistance inside. Our hired man was to attend to the fire and provide the earth and compost needed for the plants. The amount of coal consumed was not large – probably between three and four tons. The door of the furnace was rarely shut, only enough to keep the fire alive, yet the temperature of the building seldom fell below 60 °, even in the coldest weather. Once a week it was smoked with tobacco stems, to kill the insects . The care of the house, instead of being felt as a tax, was really a recreation to my wife, who has five children to look after, and never neglects her housekeeping affairs.

The result was, that during the winter and spring we accumulated six or eight hundred plants of desirable kinds, enjoyed the sight and perfume of many fresh and beautiful flowers throughout the cold season, and were able to afford pleasure to many visitors and neighbors. Toward spring the seeds of annual flowers and vegetables were sown and by planting time there was an abundant supply on hand.

The shelves are yet covered with many winter-blooming plants, now taking their rest, while our grounds are gay with flowers of home growth and culture. On the whole we are satisfied that our experimental greenhouse has paid largely for the outlay of trouble and money, and we should now be sorry to be without it. – H.T.D., in Country Gent. Doylestown, Pa, July 15, 1873.

[And the great value of such a structure is, that vegetables can be forced so nicely in them – early cabbage, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, &c.., &c., and too, a few pots of strawberry plants set around on the outer wall, gives a taste of those luxuries when they are 'good to take'.

The above is a very plain, practical statement and description of a cheap house, and as it is not too late to build one, we make room for it at this time.

The ox team and cart. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

The Diary of Araminta Wetmore

May 1873 and May 1874

Photo: Rebecca Araminta Wetmore. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Rebecca Araminta ("Minta") Wetmore was the wife of David Pickett Wetmore. Their children included Genevieve (1864), Howard (1867), Ormond (1869), Louise (1870), Adela (1873), Wilfred (1877) and Stanley (1880). Some of the entries in David's book are in her handwriting. Her domestic skills were legendary, and in later years, she was often referred to as "Mrs. Clifton". Several of her homespun woollen blankets, woven on a foot-treadle loom, are available for viewing at the John Fisher Memorial Museum.

Minta was the daughter of F. William Puddington Wetmore and Susannah Wetmore. Her father was a substantial businessman in Clifton. He was a shipbuilder, built and ran a large water-powered mill, kept a store, represented Kings County in the provincial government and became a member of the executive council as Surveyor General.

Thursday May 1st-1873 It has been a lovely day in fact it has become very pleasant all this week. Celia has been with me about 2 months, we have been busy cleaning the house, this is her birthday. I put a quilt on this morning, sent over for Julia W. to come & help us this afternoon. James was here for tea, he is home from Deer Island on account of sickness there. David went to Sussex yesterday to examine superior school, did not get home until noon today. Aunt Angie was here this evening & got some rhubarb roots. Ormond, Ernest & Julie Wetmore were here this evening. David has been uncovering his strawberries the last 2 or 3 evenings, had some splendid bonfires last night & again tonight. Finished my quilt before dark.

R. A. W.

[Rebecca Araminta Wermore]

Friday May 2nd It has been very pleasant again today, looks a little hazy to night as if it might storm tomorrow. David finished taking bush off strawberries tonight, had quite a number of fires again to night, stayed out until ten o'clock. I finished a suit for Ormy to day. Celia has been cleaning the closets of the kitchen today. Celia and I were cleaning the dooryard to night did not get to bed until eleven.

R. A. W.

Saturday May 3rd It has been cold and chilly to day, but has not stormed yet, the wind blew pretty heavy from NE. David was taking up some of his raspberries, planted some peas to day. The ground seems very dry. It is cold and cloudy to night. We cleaned the kitchen today, did not get through until after tea. I am quite tired tonight, will have a rest tomorrow. We are all done housecleaning now but the dining room. I have been waiting for my carpet. This is Mr. E. W's. birthday.

R. A. W.

Sunday May 4th It has been a nice day, quite cool, the storm has blown over. Wind from NW. Sunday school commenced today. Davis & James went up to Kingston church this morning after Sunday school, they were quite late. Genevieve & Louise went up to see Pa awhile. They all went to the hall this afternoon, but Louise &

myself, we took a walk over to Aunt Mary's, she did not go to church, had a stiff neck & bad cold. Celia went over home after church, has not been back yet, it is nearly 9, I must go to bed. It is four years today that How & Annie were married & 25 years today since Uncle Merritt was married R. A. W.

Monday May 5th It was quite showery this morning, we did not wash but cleaned the sitting room. I got my carpet home today and commenced to make it this evening hope to get it done tomorrow & down. It cleaned off very pleasant towards night & is a lovely evening. I just finished a letter to Addie & I must go to bed for it is nearly eleven o'clock. R. A.W.

Tuesday May 6th It has been very pleasant today. We finished the carpet to day & got it down just before tea. A. C. Evanson was here today & got some strawberry plants & brought David some asparagus roots & crab apple trees, just as he left W. Raymond came for some plants, he came in and helped David stretch the carpet down, he was here to tea. I do not feel very well tonight.

Wednesday May 7th
It has been a lovely day again & here I am in bed with a little baby girl beside me born about ½ past two this morning, I feel pretty well, there has been quite a number in to see me today. Could not get anyone to wash for me today. David finished taking up his raspberries today. R. A. W.

Thursday May 8th It has been another splendid day, had a very heavy frost last night. We all had a good sleep last night, I feel very well again today. Celia had to go to washing today, we could not get anyone to do it. David got a lot of apple trees from Sharp & Shea at Woodstock, they came down in the boat and Jos. Gorham brought them down & was here to dinner.

Friday May 9th A splendid day again, this is David's birthday. I am getting along nicely. David & Arthur went up and set out a thousand strawberry plants for Ernest this afternoon, did not get home to tea until dark. Coyngrahams came just as he got through with his tea, intended to stay all night but he stayed over to Aunt Mary's.
R. A W.

Saturday May 10th Another pleasant day, Coyngrams was here to dinner, went away about 3 o'clock & then David set out 107 apple trees, he was pretty tired when he came in.

Sunday May 11th It was quite dull this morning, rained some last night, but cleared off quite pleasant in the afternoon. Annie was over and stayed with me while Celia went to Sunday school. There were a good many in to see me this afternoon. Bel & Hawksley among the others. David & Genevieve went to the hall to service.
R. A. W.

May 12th Monday It has been quite dull all day. This is Ormy's birthday, the children had quite fun with some firecrackers. David has been working at the drain this afternoon, just the other side of the hen house. Cut Louise's hair today.

May 13th Tuesday It rained quite hard last night, was raining when I first awoke this morning. Cleaned off about 7 & has been a lovely day. Cassie washed today, and the clothes all dried nicely. W. Pickett's team was here ploughing for David this afternoon. David has been laying out the flower garden this evening. This is Masonic Lodge night, David has gone up. R. A. W.

Wednesday May 14th It has been pleasant again today with a few showers towards night. David finished the flower garden today, it is already for planting the seeds, he set out some more apple trees to night. James E. W. was over helping David awhile this afternoon. Arthur has been quite sick to day. Celia & Cassie have gone to lodge this evening. R. A. W.

Thursday May 15th It was very showery this morning, rain & snow, but cleared off about noon and was very pleasant this afternoon. David & James were setting strawberry plants this afternoon. Celia pulled some rhubarb this afternoon & stewed for tea. R. A. W.

Friday May 16th It has been quite pleasant again today, a little showery. David & James have been setting more strawberry plants today. David & Celia went down to Mary Ann W's. this evening & got a lot of flower roots, it was quite late when they got home.

Saturday May 17th It has been another lovely day. I went down stairs today. Celia has been out all the evening setting out the roots she got last evening. It is ten o'clock I must go to bed.

Sunday May 18th It has been another lovely day. David & the boys went to Kingston church this morning after Sunday school. Charlotte came up this morning, walked & hauled Rolla in his little waggon. Richard came up in the afternoon to service & brought the other children with him.

Monday May 19th It has been a cold showery day. Cassie washed & had to put the clothes in soak it rained and blew so hard. David has been setting more strawberry plants. Celia has been to work in the garden all the evening again.

Tuesday May 20th It has been quite showery again today, but not as cold as yesterday. We got our clothes dry today. Celia went over the river with James this evening.

Wednesday May 21st It has been a lovely day, heavy wind from the south this afternoon, moved my rosebushes & put them in flower garden this morning. David planted some more peas today & planted a bed of cucumber in old garden in front of house, he also planted some beans. Celia went to St. John this morning. It is Lodge night, Cassie has gone to lodge. Sent some rhubarb to town today. 46 lbs.

Thursday May 22nd The wind blew quite heavy from south and looked like rain all the forenoon, did rain a little after dinner. Celia got back from St. John this morning. Mrs. Pentreath from England arrived this morning, came up with Celia, she did not know her.

Friday May 23rd It was quite dull & foggy this morning but was warm & pleasant in the afternoon. The children have been getting brush & making preparations for a bonfire for tomorrow. David finished setting his strawberry plants this evening. Planted a few sugar peas below flower garden.

Saturday May 24th It has been very foggy today. Kate Bruce came up from St. John today and is going to stay until Monday. We had a very heavy thunder shower about tea time, the first one this year. Mr. Matthews yacht was upset near Rothesay in the squall. David put in some carrot seeds today.

Sunday May 25th It has been very warm today. George Pickett took Kate to Kingston this afternoon. David did not go to church. Pa & Ormond were here. David & Ormond went down to see Mrs. Pentreath this afternoon.

Monday May 26th It has been a lovely day, very warm, we got our washing done today. Had an invitation to attend the wedding at Fred Flewelling's this evening. Celia went, David or I did not go but sent a piece of tin. Kate went to St. John this morning.

Tuesday May 27th 1873 It has been a lovely day again. We have been very busy today. I am quite tired to night.

May 1st 1874 Friday I have not written any for nearly a year. Thought I would try again. It has been very cold today for the time of year, seems more like 1st of April.

The Old Road to Clifton. (Source: Mr. Eldon Pitt, Reeds Point, N.B.)

Last week planted tomato seed in a box & set out my dahlia bulbs. A week ago today J. E. W. had his examination. I was over a little while in the afternoon. Last Sunday we had quite a snow storm. David & Uncle Robert tore the old barn down, it looks a great deal better without it.

Saturday May 2nd It is quite pleasant today, but cold. David began uncovering his strawberries today & also uncovered the flower garden in front of the house. The tulips, crocuses & snowdrops are all up nicely. R. A. W.

Sunday May 3rd It has been showery today. Service in the hall this afternoon, but did not get there, quite a heavy shower just as church was out, cleared off quite warm. I ran up home a little while, Pa & Aunt Charlotte were there alone.

Monday May 4th It has been a lovely day, seems quite like spring. This is Annie's wedding day. I thought I would go take tea with her but she went up to Pa's this afternoon. I washed today. Got ready to go up the hill this evening and Ormond & Ernest came in so I did not go. They had some more bonfires to night.

Tuesday May 5th Very pleasant again today, David made a large wheelbarrow for wheeling off the brush. He says it works nicely. I was up the hill this evening & got some dishes from Aunt Charlotte, came home and found Mrs. & Mr. D. J. Wetmore here, did not get to bed until after eleven.

Wed. May 6th It was very fine again today. Celia came over today to do some sewing for me. I have been clearing out one of the back bedrooms today getting ready to paper. Had some splendid bonfires this evening.

Thursday evening May 7th A lovely day again. Mrs. Justus Wetmore came down & helped me paper the bedroom. I am going to take it for mine & give my room to Pa. He is coming to stop with me awhile. This is Addie's birthday. 1 year old. I had a letter from Bel today, she has been very sick. The doctor has been tending her for 2 weeks. I am afraid she will not be able to come and help me. Ern was in and bid us Good Bye tonight.

Friday May 8th A nice day again. I have been cleaning my bedroom today. Charlotte was in a little while this morning with baby, she came up yesterday. David finished uncovering strawberries today & took up some raspberries, he went to St. John just before dinner, did not get back tonight. Celia went home tonight, expects to go to St. John in the morning.

Sat. May 9th Very pleasant morning again, very heavy southerly wind this afternoon & rained a little. Mrs. Wetter helped me paper another bedroom today. David came home about noon. This is his birthday. Marion came up this afternoon. I have been very busy today, did not get to bed until 12 o'clock. Mrs. James Patterson was here to tea.

Sunday May 10th It has been very pleasant today but quite cold. I was over to Gussie & Annie's a little while this afternoon. David & Gennie [Genevieve] were to the hall to service to night. Richard was up to tea tonight. It is after 9 and I must go to bed. We have not planted anything yet. R. A. W.

Monday May 11th Another lovely day. I done my washing today, got most of the clothes out before dinner. Just as I called the folks to dinner some one shouted fire. Celia has been with me nearly a week & we both rushed up the hill & helped get out what things we could. There was a good deal saved & a great deal burned. Pa & Aunt Charlotte moved down this afternoon to stay awhile with me. Pa seemed quite smart today, but pretty tired tonight.

Tuesday May 12th 1874 A splendid day, very warm, seemed like summer. This is Ormy's birthday, he has been building bonfire tonight. David finished taking up his raspberries today. It is late again tonight I must go to bed.

Wednesday May 13th Another nice day, very heavy southerly wind this afternoon. David put fence around flower garden & ploughed it today, set out quite a lot of rhubarb both sides of the garden. This is Hud's birthday. Pa & Aunt Charlotte were up the hill today & over to R. J. F.'s to dinner. Have been very busy cleaning milk room today.

Thursday May 14th It has been a lovely day again, very warm. David planted some peas & potatoes today. James & Miss Frost came in this evening to have a game of 'croquet' with Pa, he seems quite smart today. Julia Wetmore was here awhile in the evening. I must go to bed it is nearly eleven o'clock again tonight.

May 15th 1874 A nice day again. David went to Sussex this morning to examine school, came back again this evening. Hattie Brein came in this afternoon, has been playing croquet with Pa. I heard from Bel today she is better.

R. A. W.

Sat. May 16th It was quite pleasant this morning, began to rain just after dinner, was quite wet all the afternoon. David & his men set between 3 and 4000 strawberry plants today. Edith was down this evening. I have been very busy today, am very sleepy tonight. R. A. W.

Sunday May 17th Has been dull all day, a few showers. Richard & Charlotte came in this afternoon, he & David went to church, the rest of us did not go.

Monday May 18th Was very foggy this morning, but I went to washing. Cleared off about ten & has been a delightful day. Bel came down today, she is getting quite well again. I expect her down next week to stay with me. David & Arthur set out about 4000 strawberry plants today, finished piece over to lane. Annie was over a while in the evening. Mrs. & Mr. D. J. W. were here, did not get to bed until ½ past eleven.

Tuesday May 19/74 It has been quite dull all day, rained a little, is very foggy this evening. Celia finished my dress today. James, Miss Frost & Julia were here this evening playing croquet. I done most part of my ironing this evening. David & Arthur set out 2000 strawberry plants for Pa today.

Wed. May 20th It has been a lovely day again. David set out about 1000 more plants today where we had flower garden last summer. Pa went away down Milkish with Hud this afternoon, got tired coming home. Uncle Merritt & Aunt Maggie were here to tea. It is eleven o'clock I must go to bed.

Thursday May 21st It has been a nice day again. Had a little shower of rain about 5. David & I were out setting out flower roots in garden in front of house. Got seeds from Vick today. Henry & Arthur planted piece potatoes at D. W.'s today. Pa started for F'ton this morning. Planted flower seeds in boxes in house.

Friday May 22nd It has been quite dull all day & cold. David has been working some in garden today. I cleaned dish closet in kitchen today. Lottie & Ed were here this afternoon & had a game of croquet. It is late again tonight.

Sat. May 23rd It has been a lovely day again. I have been very busy all day. David finished clearing up garden today, it looks very nice. One bed of tulips (Due van Throp) are in full bloom. They are splendid. It is 12 o'clock I must go to bed.

Sunday May 24th It has been a charming day. This afternoon I took the horse & drove down to Charlotte's with Louise and Addie, Celia was down there & came back with me, we called in to see Aunt Phebe, she is quite poorly. Henry W. had his boy christened tonight – E.P. It is a lovely moonlight night.

Monday May 25th It was quite pleasant this morning, rained a little about 5 o'clock. Aunt Charlotte done her washing today, got her clothes dry. David planted his corn, beans, pumpkins, squashes today. Aunt Charlotte & I went over to Annie's a little while, she & Carrie were in the garden to work. I planted a few more flower seeds in garden. Aunt Maggie & Uncle Merritt were here this evening. It is nearly 12 o'clock. The boys had quite a bonfire tonight to celebrate the Queen's birthday.

Tuesday May 26th It has been dull & foggy all day. David has been tying up some of his blackberries today. Aunt Charlotte has not got back yet.

Wed. May 27th It was foggy this morning, but cleared off lovely about ten. I did my washing, got all my clothes dry, had several callers today.

Thursday May 28th It has been a lovely day again. Pa got home from F'ton today. I have been ironing this evening, am quite tired. How & Annie were here playing croquet, it is after ten, I must go to bed. I pulled some rhubarb today for the first, a fortnight later than last year. Pa got back from F'ton this afternoon.

The Union Agricultural Society

Minute and Account Book
1882–1907

The agricultural fair. (Source: Kings County Museum, Hampton, N.B.)

The Agricultural Society minute and account book is a hardcover, hand-sewn volume with a leather spine measuring 14 in. x 8½ in. The pages are edged in gold, and the cover has a three-colour effect (black/brown on cream). The following is written in pencil on the inside cover:

May 1889 address for Reid's superphosphate 'Thos. Reid Box 436 St John, N.B.

The remains of a piece of paper are stuck to this area.

Union Agricultural Society book. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

There seem to be several pages missing at the beginning of the book, which starts at No. 9 of a list of farm fair winners. Early portions of the following list appear before a notation indicating the date, October 18, 1882. The date that applies to this initial set of winners is a matter of speculation.

3rd yearling live	$0.75
2nd ram Lamb	$1.00
2nd brood mare	$1.70
2nd colt 2 yrs old	$1.20
2nd Inching colt or filly	$1.00
2nd horse rugs	$0.80
paid	$14.00

9 Mr Gilbert Williams

3rd Heifer 2 yrs old Jersey	$0.90
2nd Butter	$0.75
paid	$1.65

10 Mr A C Fairweather

1st Bull 3 yrs old Jersey	$2.10
1st & 2nd Dairy Cow	$3.60
1st Yearling	$1.00
2nd Heifer Calf	$0.60
2nd Kidney potatoes	$0.40
1st ripe tomatoes 3rd sow$0.60	
under 1 yr .70	
1st boar under 1 year 1.25	$8.30
paid	$0.70
	$1.25
	$10.25

11 Mr Gabriel Merritt

1st Bull 3 yrs old Jersey	$1.00
3rd Heifer calf native	$0.50
paid	$1.50

12 Mr John Harrison

2nd Bull 1 year old Jersey	$0.90
1st Steers 1 year old	$0.80
2nd sow under 1 year	$1.00
1st Roll Butter	$1.00
paid	$3.70

13 Lewis J Almon

3rd Bull 1 year old Jersey	$0.80
2nd Heifer 2 yrs old do	$1.20
	$2.00
2nd heifer 2 yrs old Native	$1.20
paid	$3.20

14 M D Mcgee

3rd Dairy Cow Jersey	$1.00
3rd Yearling "	$0.60
3rd Heifer Calf "	$0.50
2nd Game Bantams B.B.R.	$0.50
1st 2nd White Leghorns 2d	$1.50
yearling native .60	
paid	$1.70

15 William Maynes

1st Heifer 2 yrs old Jersey	$1.50
1st Yearling Native	$1.00
1st Butter	$1.00
1st Roll Butter	$1.00
paid	$4.50

16 Dr Paddock

2nd Yearling Jersey	$0.80

17 Mr E H Merritt

1st Bull Calf Jersey	$1.00
1st specimen Patchwork Quilt	$1.00
1st Roll Butter	$1.00
paid	$3.00

18 Mr John Maynes

1st Heifer Calf Jersey	$1.00
1st Roll Butter	$1.00
paid	$2.00

19 Mr William Hazen

1st Bull 2 yrs old native	$1.60
1st Yearling Ewe	$1.25
1st White Oats	$0.50
2nd Peas	$0.40
2nd Peck Onions	$0.40
1st Skirting 7 yds all wool	$1.00
paid	$5.15

20 Mr George H Kierstead

2nd Bull 2 yrs old Native	$1.30
2nd Heifer Calf do	$0.60
3rd Oxen	$1.00
2nd Yearling Ewe	$1.00
1st Live Lamb	$1.25
1st Black Oats	$0.50
	$5.65
3rd squash	$0.30
2nd jersey all wool	$0.80
paid	$6.75

21 Mr Shalon Cosman

1st squashes	$0.50
1st Bull 1 year native	
2nd Geese	$1.80
paid	$2.30

22 Mr R W Wetmore

1st Dairy Cow native	$2.10
1st Sow under 1 year	$1.25
1st 2 qt maple syrup	$0.60
3rd 1 doz ears of corn	$0.30
2nd stock potatoes	$0.40
3rd Swedish Turnips	$0.30
3rd Moss work	$0.30
1st Butter	$1.00
	$6.25

23 Mr D P Wetmore

1st & 2nd dairy Cow native	$3.60
2nd Corn	$0.40
3rd Intermediate Carrots	$0.30
3rd Song Blood Beets	$0.30
1st Turnip Beet	$0.50
2nd Mens Socks	$0.30
1st Moss work	$0.75
3rd Collection Fancy work not named	$1.00
1st roll butter	$1.00
	$8.15
3rd beans	$0.30
	$8.45

24 Mr G Hudson Flewelling

1st Heifer 2 yrs old native	$1.50
1st Berlin Work	$0.75
2nd Bead Work	$0.50
1st Cone Work	$0.75
2nd moss work	$0.50
2nd collection Fancy work not named	$1.50
paid	$5.50

25 Mr William E Pickett

3rd Heifer 2 yrs old native	$0.90
3rd Early Rose Potatoes	$0.30
2nd Coloured Yam	$0.40
1st Butter	$1.00
paid	$2.60

26 Mr Charles Bruce

2nd Working Oxen	$1.50
3rd White Oats	$0.20
1st roll butter	$1.00
2nd Packed Butter	$0.75
paid to Gorham	$3.45

27 Mr Charles Porter

1st Steers 4 years old	$1.50
2nd Rag Carpet	$1.00
2nd pound white yarn	$0.40
	$2.90

28 Mr Philo A Northrup

2nd Steers 4 yrs old	$1.20
3rd do 2 yrs old	$0.60
3rd colt 2 yrs old	$1.10
1st Rough Buckwheat	$0.50
1st beans	$0.60
1st peas	$0.60
3rd Flannel Cotton & Wool	$0.40
3rd pattern female dress unpressed	$0.60
2nd Knit Cloud .60	
2nd Butter .75	$1.35
paid	$6.95

29 Daniel McDougall

1st Steers 2 year old	
paid	$1.00

30 Mrs R Godfrey

2nd Steers 2 yrs old	$0.80
3rd Kidney Potatoes	$0.30
3rd Common Geese	$0.60
	$1.70
2nd Turkeys	$0.80
paid	$2.50

31 Mr Edwin J Peters

2nd Ram	$1.50
1st Swedish Turnips	$0.50
2nd 10 yds Yarn Carpet	$1.00
1st Horse Rugs	$1.00
1st Turkeys	$1.00
paid DDS	$5.00

32 Mr James W Puddington

3rd Ram	$1.00
1st Sow over 1year	$2.00
paid	$3.00

33 Mr Henry J Fowler

1st Brood Mare	$2.00
1st Colt 3 years old	$1.50
1st Sucking colt or filly	$1.10
paid	$4.60

34 James M Humphrey

1st Colt 2 yrs old	$1.30
paid	

35 Theodore Holder

3rd Brood Mare	$1.40
3rd Sucking Colt	$0.90
paid to Gorham	$2.30

36 Mr Francis D Ganong

2nd Colt 3 years old	$1.40
2nd Variety of Apples	$0.75
2nd Plums	$0.75
2nd Squashes	$0.40
3rd Cabbage	$0.30
2nd Pumpkins	$0.40
1st Onions	$0.60
3rd Ripe Tomatoes	$0.30
2nd Flannel (cotton & wool)	$0.60
paid	$5.50

37 Mr William H Williams

3rd Colt 3 yrs old	$1.30
2nd Yarn Hearth Rug	$0.75
paid	$2.05

38 Mr Justus Pickett

1st & 3rd Colt or Filly 1 yr old	$2.00
1st Yarn Carpet	$1.20
1st flannel (cotton & wool)	$0.80
1st Jersey do	$1.00
1st Stockings	$0.50
1st Men's Socks	$0.50
1st pound white yarn	$0.60
1st do coloured yarn	$0.60
1st Butter	$1.00
2nd Woolen Blanket	$0.80
paid	$9.00

39 Mr George T Kierstead

1st Wheat	$1.50
1st grape seed	$1.00
3rd squashes	$0.30
2nd Jersey (all wool)	$0.80
paid	$3.60

40 Mr Robert Williams

2nd Wheat	$1.00
3rd Grey Buckwheat	$0.30
paid	$1.30

41 Mr Edward M Toole

3rd Wheat	$0.80
3rd Jersey (all wool)	$0.60
1st men's mittens	$0.50
3rd Ladies Mittens	$0.20
3rd Driving do	$0.40
1st Bead Work	$0.75
2nd Point Lace	$0.50
1st Fancy work not named	$2.00
paid	$5.75

42 Mr John Howe

2nd White Oats	$0.30
1st Corn	$0.60
3rd Stock Potatoes	$0.30
2nd Swedish Turnips	$0.40
2nd Early Corn Carrots	$0.40
3rd Apples	$0.50
2nd Shawl	$0.80
paid	$3.30

43 Mr Edward Waddell

2nd Black Oats	$0.30
3rd Onions	$0.30
paid	$0.60

44 Mr Charles Marvin

1st Cheese	$1.00
paid	

45 Mr Daniel D Northrup

3rd Black Oats	$0.20
2nd Grey Buckwheat	$0.40
2nd Rough "	$0.30
2nd axe	$0.50
paid	$1.40

46 Leonard Crawford

1st Grey Buckwheat	$0.60
1st Early Rose Potatoes	$0.50
3rd Pumpkins	$0.30
	$0.75
paid	$2.15

47 Mr Thomas Brayman

3rd Rough Buckwheat	$0.20
3rd Woolen Blanket	$0.60
3rd Jersey (cotton & wool)	$0.60
2nd Men's Mittens	$0.30
2nd Ladies Mittens	$0.30
1st Driving Mittens	$1.00
paid	$3.00

48 C Allan Frost

2nd Beans	$0.40
1st Stock Potatoes	$0.50
3rd Plums	$0.50
1st Ladies Mittens	$0.50
1st Point Lace	$0.75
1st Knitted Lace	$0.75
paid	$3.40

49 Mr John Parlee

2nd Grape Seed	$0.80
2nd 2 qts Maple Syrup	$0.50
paid	$1.30

50 Mr John Dann

3rd Grape Seed	$0.60
2nd Skirting (all wool)	$0.80
2nd Cheese	$0.80
paid	$2.20

51 Mr George Chaloner

1st Kidney Potatoes	$0.60
2nd Carter Potatoes	$0.40
paid	$1.00

52 W O A Wetmore

1st Carter Potatoes	$0.50
paid W E P	

53 Mr Joseph H Gorham

3rd Early Corn Carrots	$0.30
1st Apples	$1.00
1st Butter	$1.00
paid	$2.30

54 Mr W D Wetmore

2nd Intermediate Carrots	$0.40
2nd Song Blood Beets	$0.40
1st Hens	$0.75
paid	$1.55

55 Mr Charles R Howe

1st half peck Plums	$1.00
1st Shawl	$1.00
1st Second Class Butter	$0.75
paid	$2.75

56 W F Flewelling

1st Cabbage	$0.50
paid	

57 Mr O W Wetmore

2nd Ripe Tomatoes	$0.40
1st Maple Sugar	$0.60
1st Ducks	$0.75
1st & 2nd Golden Spangled	$1.50
1st Longhorns	$1.00
1st & 2nd Plymouth Rocks	$1.50
1st Roudans	$1.00
1st Asbury Ducks	$1.00
1st White Crested Ducks	$1.00
2nd Silver Polish	$0.75
1st Black Spanish	$1.00
paid	$10.50

58 Mrs N E Gorham

3rd Rag Carpet	$0.75
3rd Berlin Work	$0.30
3rd Knit Cloud or scarf	$0.40
paid	$1.45

59 Abraham M Pickett

3rd Skirting (all wool)	$0.60
1st Jersey "	$1.00
2nd driving mittens	$0.60
2nd Cone Work	$0.50
4th Collection Fancy Work	$0.50
1st Butter	$1.00
1st Roll Butter	$1.00
paid	$5.20

60 Mrs Bayard Williams

1st pattern Female Dress impressed	$1.00
2nd Rag Hearth Rug	$0.75
paid	$1.75

61 Mr Albert Williams

2nd Jersey (cotton & wool)	$0.80
paid WEP	

62 Cunningham Brien

3rd Horse Rugs	$0.60
1st Rag Hearth Rug	$0.90
paid	$1.50

63 Mrs Hiram Parlee

3rd Shawl	$0.60
1st drawers & shirt knit	$1.00
3rd coloured yarn	$0.30
1st Common Geese	$1.00
paid	$2.90

64 M George M Freeze

2nd Woolen Stockings	$0.30
3rd Patch Work Quilt	$0.60
paid	$0.90

65 Mrs E W Case

3rd Men's Socks	$0.20
2nd Butter	$0.75
paid	$0.95

66 Mrs G W Palmer

3rd Men's Mittens	$0.20
1st Yarn Hearth Rug	$0.90
2nd Braid Work	$0.50
2nd Berlin Work	$0.50
paid	$2.10

67 Mrs George F Flewelling

1st pair woolen gloves	$0.50
3rd Bead Work	$0.30
3rd Knitted Lace	$0.30
1st Knit Cloud or Scarf	$1.00
paid	$2.10

68 Mrs John Hill

3rd pound white yarn	$0.30
1st Butter	$1.00
paid	$1.30

69 Mr Jacob Cosman

1st axe	$1.00
2nd winter horse shoes	$0.40
2nd summer " "	$0.40
paid	$1.80

70 W W E Worden

1st Skates	$1.00
paid	

71 M" J Wetmore

1st winter Horse shoes	$0.60
1st summer " "	$0.60
paid	$1.20

72 Mrs O M Flewelling

2nd Patchwork Quilt	$0.80
paid	

73 W Charles Puddington

1st Braid work	$0.75
paid	

74 W E Wetmore

3rd Cone Work	$0.30
paid	

75 Mrs J A Evans

2nd Knitted Lace	$1.50
paid	

1st other specimens of fancy knitting!

76 Mrs James Pettingell

2nd Cradle Quilt	$0.60
paid	

77 Mrs Gilbert A Killan

3rd Tidy	$0.40
paid	

78 R M Magee

1st & 2nd Sight Brama	$1.50
paid	

79 H H Wilson

1st & 2nd Black [?]	$1.50
1st & 2nd " Hamburg	$1.50
1st & 2nd Brown Leghorn	$1.50
1st & 2nd Golden Polish	$1.50
1st Silver Polish	$1.00
paid	$7.00

80 W Blaine

1st & 2nd game BBR	$1.50
1st Red Pile	$1.00
1st Game Bantams BBR	$1.00
1st " " Silver Ducking	$1.00
paid	$4.50

81 Mrs G D Flewelling

1st Frizele Fowl	$1.00
paid	

82 W W Nutter

2nd Peking Ducks	$0.50
paid	

83 W W Snider

1st & 2nd Rove Ducks	$1.50
paid	

84 Mrs E C Woods

1st & 2nd Bronze Turkeys	$1.50
paid	

The following Prizes were awarded at the Kings County Union Agricultural Society's Exhibition held at Springfield on Wednesday. Oct. 18th 1882

1 Mrs J H Gorham

best Horse Rugs	$0.65
" table apples	$0.55
" Butter	$0.66
	$1.86

2 Mr Chas Foster

Best Bull (Devon) 3 yrs	$1.45

3 Mr Gabriel Merritt

Best Butter	$0.66

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5 W E Pickett

2nd Butter	$0.50

10 Mr James S Marvin

Best Bull (Devon) 2 yrs $1.10	
2nd Heifer 2 yrs	$0.85
best " Yearling	$0.75
2nd " "	$0.55
Best Heifer 2 yrs Ayrshire	$1.10
2nd " "	$0.85
2nd " 1 yr "	$0.53
Best Cow Native	$1.15
" Ram Lamb	$0.55
3rd " "	$0.25
Best Ewe	$0.75
3rd " "	$0.35
Best Ewe Lamb	$0.55
3rd " "	$0.25
Best Yearling Lamb	$0.55
" Colt 2 yr old	$0.65
	$10.78

11 Mrs Abram M Picket

2nd Peas	$0.25
1st Flannel (cotton & wool)	$0.75
2nd Ladies Mittens	$0.15
2nd Driving Mitts	$0.25
2nd Butter	$0.50
	$1.90

12 M" Edward M Toole

3rd Wheat	$0.55
1st Grey Buckwheat	$0.35
1st Shirting	$0.55
1st Jersey cotton & wool	$0.55
1st Woolen Shawl, knit	$0.65
1st Ladies Mitts	$0.25
1st Driving Mitts	$0.35
1st Yarn Rug	$0.35
1st Rag Rug	$0.35
2nd White Yarn	$0.35
2nd Coloured Yarn	$0.35
	$4.65

14 M" John Howe

3rd Bull 2 yrs (native) $0.35	
1st Heifer 2 yrs "	$0.85
1st " 1 " "	$0.65
1st Heifer Calf "	$0.45
2nd Wheat	$0.80
2nd Early Rose Potatoes	$0.15
2nd Turnips	$0.15
2nd Intermediate Carrots	$0.15
2nd Turnip Beets	$0.15
1st Woolen Blankets	$0.55
1st Woolen Shawl, woven	$0.55
2nd Table Apples	$0.35
2nd Butter	$0.50
2nd Ram Lamb	$0.35
2nd Ewe Lamb	$0.35
1st Hens	$0.45
1st Boar Pig	$1.00
2nd Sow	$0.60
	$8.40

15 M" Philo A Northrup

1st Rough Buckwheat $0.35	
1st Beans	$0.35
1st Peas	$0.35
2nd Knitted Skirt	$0.55
1st Butter	$0.66
	$2.26

16 M" Hiram Parlee

1st Geese	$0.65
2nd Pumpkins	$0.15
2nd Drawers & Shirt (knit)	$0.55
2nd Butter	$0.50
	$1.85

18 M" T T H Scovil

1st Cow (Devon)	$1.45
2nd " "	$1.10
3rd " "	$0.50
1st Heifer 2 yrs (Devon)	$1.10
3rd " "	$0.30
2nd Steers 2 yrs	$0.45
1st " 1 " "	$0.55
2nd " "	$0.35
2nd Colt 2 yrs	$0.45
3rd Colt 1 yr	$0.25
	$6.50

19 M" B L Crawford

2nd Grey Buckwheat	$0.25
2nd Rough "	$0.25
1st Butter	$0.66
	$1.16

23 M" Justus Pickett

1st Woolen Stockings	$0.30
1st Socks	$0.30
1st Knitted Skirt	$0.75
1st White Yarn	$0.45
1st Coloured Yarn	$0.45
1st Butter	$0.66
	$2.91

26 M" H C Lyon

1st Potatoes (other kinds)	$0.25

28 M" J M Humphrey

paid C Foster	
1st Colt 3 yrs	$0.75

29 M" Jas E Fairweather

1st Working Oxen	$1.35
1st Early Rose Potatoes	$0.25
2nd Stock Potatoes	$0.15
1st Early Horn Carrots	$0.20
1st Intermediate "	$0.20
1st Turnip Beets	$0.25
1st Pumpkins	$0.25
2nd Onions .15 1st Ducks .45	$0.60
	$3.25

32 M" F D Ganong

1st Kidney Potatoes	$0.25
1st Squash	$0.25
1st Drawers & Shirt (knit)	$0.55
2nd Rag Rug	$0.25
paid C Marvin	$1.30

33 M" Chas Marvin

1st Bull 1 yr (native)	$0.65
2nd Cow native	$0.85
3rd Heifer 2 yrs native	$0.55
3rd Ram	$0.35
2nd Geese	$0.45
2nd Ducks	$0.35
1st Stock Potatoes	$0.25
1st Cheese	$0.80
	$4.25

36 M" Silas Raymond

3rd Working Oxen	$0.55
3rd Boar Pig	$0.50
3rd Sow	$0.50
paid C Marvin	$1.55

41 Sam B Raymond

2nd Steers 3 yrs	$0.65
1st Steers 2 yrs	$0.45
1st Brood Mare	$1.15
2nd & 3rd Yearling Ewes	$0.90
2nd Boar Pig	$0.65
1st Sow Pig	$1.00
2nd Butter	$0.50
paid J S Marvin	$5.30

44 M" Geo T Kierstead

1st Wheat	$1.00
1st Grass Seed	$1.00
	$2.00

47 M" S H White

2nd Corn	$0.15
2nd Early Horn Carrots	$0.15
1st Long Blood Beets	$0.25
1st Carpet Rag	$0.75
2nd Socks	$0.20
2nd Mitts (men)	$0.20
paid J S Marvin	$1.70

48 J H Wilson

3rd Bull 3 yrs Ayrshire $0.50	
1st Ram	$0.95
1st Butter	$0.66
paid C Marvin	$2.11

49 O E Second

Exhibits Grain, cradle & straw cutter, Judges recommend that half the 1st prize on Best Collection useful articles be given him

	$0.50
paid J S Marvin	

50 M" Alex McIntyre

2nd Working Oxen	$1.00
1st Steers 3 years	$0.85
2nd Ram Lamb	$0.55
1st Turkeys	$0.65
1st Men's Mitts	$0.30
1st Corn	$0.25
paid C Marvin	$3.60

51 M" Joseph Gillies

1st Cow Ayrshire	$1.45
2nd " "	$1.10
3rd " "	$0.50
1st Heifer 1 yr Ayrshire	$0.75
1st Heifer Calf "	$0.45
3rd Brood Mare	$0.45
1st Sucking Colt	$0.45
paid C Marvin	$5.15

57 M" Samuel E Frost

2nd Colt 3 yrs	$0.55
1st " yearling	$0.55
1st Bull 2 yr Ayrshire	$1.10
	$2.20

58 M" E W Case

1st Oats	$0.25
1st Potatoes (other kinds)	$0.25
2nd Butter	$0.50
	$1.00

59 M" John A Parlee

1st Bull Calf Ayrshire	$0.75
2nd Bull 2 yrs (native)	$0.55
1st Steer Calves	$0.45
1st Barley	$0.35
1st Copper Potatoes	$0.25
1st Jersey (all wool)	$0.55
2nd Woolen Shawl, woven	$0.55
paid J Howe	$3.45

62 M" Harvey H Northrup

1st Summer Horse Shoes	$0.30
1st Winter " "	$0.30
collection useful articles	$0.50
paid P A Northrup	$1.10

Judges recommended that the 1st prize on useful articles be divided between No 62 & 49

63 M" Peter Cosman

1st Bull 3 yrs (native)	$1.15
2nd Heifer 2 yrs "	$0.55
2nd " 1 yr "	$0.45
1st Steers 4 years	$0.95
2nd Ewe	$0.45
3rd Colt 3 yr	$0.35
2nd Brood Mare	$0.70
2nd Colt 1 yr	$0.35
2nd Sucking Colt	$0.35
1st Turnips	$0.25
1st Onions	$0.25
paid J C Marvin	$5.80
total amt of premiums	**$89.48**

Kingston Union Agricultural Hall, c. 1882. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

At a General Meeting of the Kings County Union[1] Agricultural Society held at the Hall,[2] Kingston, on Saturday the 28th Day of October 1882.

The By-laws of the Society were amended as follows:

1. That any person subscribing and paying annually the sum of one Dollar previous to the 20th Day of November and after that date the sum of one Dollar and fifty cents Shall be entitled to a membership and all privileges of the Society

2. That there shall be a General Meeting of the members of this Society in the last week of October in each and every year, at which meeting the members shall choose not less than fifteen Directors to manage and transact the business of the Society: – which Said Directors shall hold the office for one year or until others are chosen in their stead.

3. That the Directors when so chosen shall elect one of their number to be president, they shall also elect from the Body Two Vice presidents, They shall also appoint a Secretary and Treasurer from the members of the Society. The Secretary having also a voice at the board of Directors.

4. Every member shall have a vote for each director and if absent may vote by proxy provided such proxy be a member and produce a sufficient authority in writing therefore.

5. That the President, Vice Presidents and Directors shall manage and transact all the affairs of the Society but shall not proceed to business unless eight Directors be present of whom the President or one of the Vice Presidents shall be one.

6. That the secretary shall call special meetings of Directors when ordered by the President or one of the Vice Presidents or a majority of the Directors. And upon application of two thirds of the members of the Society may call a general meeting of members.

7. That the by-laws of this Society shall not be altered unless with the consent of the majority of the members.

Wm E Pickett Secretary.

At the meeting of the Kings County Union Agricultural Society held at the Hall, Kingston on the 28th Oct. 1882

The premiums awarded at their exhibition held at Springfield on the 18th inst. were paid amounting to $89.48. James A Marvin presented bill for Judges Dinner & Luncheon amounting to $5.40 Also bill for preparing grounds for exhibition amounting to $4.20. Total $9.60 W E Pickett presented bill for Sec. & Treasurer Salary Stationary &c $11.54 Which were ordered to be paid.

Moved by J S Marvin, Sec. seconded by Philo A Northrup, that Jas. E Fairweather Esq. be represented to the Prov. Board of Agriculture. Carried

The secretary is directed to notify Gilbert Williams Esq that it is necessary that the pig purchased from the Society in the fall of 1881 at Clifton Should be paid for at once.

By-laws of Society were then revised, the list of Subscribers for the next year being under progress. It was moved & Sec that the meeting proceed to Election of officers for the ensuing year.

Directors: Joseph H Gorham, John Howe, J S Marvin, Ed M Toole, John A Parlee, Chas Marvin, T T H Scovil, Chas Foster, D D Northrup, Alex McAlary jr., John Hill, F D Ganong, E W Case, Capt. Wm Shampers

Joseph H Gorham, President, J S Marvin, Chas Foster, Vice Presidents.

W E Pickett, Secretary &
Treasurer

After some discussion it was decided that the Directors should assist the secretary in collecting statistics for schedule of the secretary annual report. On motion meeting adjourn, W E Pickett, Secretary

Names of Subscribers to the Union Agricultural Society for the year 1883

No	Name		No	Name	
1	Justus A Gray	$1.00	32	F D Ganong	$1.00
2	S E Frost	$1.00	33	A C Fairweather Esq	$1.00
3	Abraham M Pickett	$1.00	34	Chas R Howe	$1.00
4	Ed M Toole	$1.00	35	George Dunham	$1.00
5	Wm Shampier	$1.00	36	Alex McAlary Jr	$1.00
6	L DeVeber Lyon	$1.00	37	John Nutter	$1.00
7	Joseph H Gorham	$2.00	38	S J Marvin	$1.00
8	John Howe	$1.00	39	John Dann	$1.00
9	Philo A Northrup	$1.00	40	Jas E Fairweather	$1.00
10	Harvey H Northrup	$1.00	41	R W Wetmore	$1.00
11	Wm E Pickett	$1.00	42	Bayard Williams	$1.00
12	Chas Marvin	$1.00	43	Geo L Taylor	$1.00
13	T T H Scovil	$1.00	44	Robert C Williams	$1.00
14	J S Marvin	$1.00	45	H J Fowler	$1.00
15	Alex McIntyre	$1.00	46	Ilas Raymond	$1.00
16	Peter Cosman	$1.00	47	Thomas Braman	$1.00
17	W Case	$1.00	48	Gabriel Merritt	$1.00
18	John A Parlee	$1.00	49	D P Wetmore	$3.00
19	Rev. H S Wainwright	$1.00	50	B L Crawford	$1.00
20	Hiram Parlee	$1.00	51	G W Palmer	$1.00
21	A H Bassett	$1.00	52	Wm Hazen	$1.00
22	D D Northrup	$1.00	53	O A Wetmore	$1.00
23	Robert Gilliland	$1.00	54	Wesley Nutter	$1.00
24	Chas Foster	$1.50	55	H D Wetmore	$1.00
25	Howard Lyon	$1.00	57	Chas Bruce	$1.00
26	Geo. H Kierstead	$1.00	58	William Maynes	$1.00
27	G Hudson Flewelling	$2.00	59	Chas H Whiting	$1.00
28	Justus Pickett	$1.00	60	C D Fairweather Esq	$1.00
29	Walter Scovil	$1.00	61	John W Chaloner	$1.00
30	Sam B Raymond	$1.00	62	John Smith	$1.00
31	John Hill	$1.00	63	Geo Chaloner	$1.00

Account for 1882

Dec	5th	paid postage on return and other correspondence	
"	10th	" G H Flewelling on Act of Hall	$50.00
"	"	" " " " interest on $75. for 9 months	$3.37
1883			
Jan	9th	" Insurance on Hall	$10.00
Mar	14th	" for cash box	$1.25
May	11th	" Rev D J Wetmore printing premium list	$3.50

Oct	17th	" freight on 2 sheep from Fredericton	$0.60
"	22nd	" George Hoyt for piece of land	$20.00
"	27th	" E A Perkins (auctioneer selling 2 sheep	$1.00
"	"	" W E Pickett Sec & Tres Salary (13.50)	
"	"	" Stationary, books, pencils, postage, cards &c	$15.50
"	"	" M" Foster's Bill Judges Dinner &c	$5.89
"	"	" Committee bill preparing grounds for exhibition	$5.75
"	"	" Murphy's Bill plank for Bridge	$0.90
"	"	" Waddell's " boards for fence	$1.60
"		" premiums awarded at exhibition	$101.71
Nov	3rd	" Gilbert C Williams amt order	$3.25
"	6th	" G H Flewelling bal on Hall $25. & interest $1.37	$26.37
"	" "	On acct Stock purchased at Gov. sale	$50.00
"	7th	" 2 sheep purchased $12. freight from Andover to F'ton	$12.72
"	17th	" W E Pickett cartage sheep, stationary postage cards	$1.60
"	17th	" Chas Bruce driving and keeping bull	$4.00
			$319.01
			$69.16
			$388.17

		Account for 1882	
Nov	23	Ac[c]t for year made up	
1883		balance on hand	$70.42
Oct		Rec Provincial Grant	$202.00
Oct	25th	Rec from Chas Foster for lamb	$5.25
"	"	" " D D Northrup	$4.00
"	"	" Donations for list 1884	$3.00
Nov	26	" Subscriptions for 1884	$103.50
			$388.17
		total expenditures for the year	$319.01
		cash on hand	$69.16
		rec" from additional subscribers after close of ac[c]t	$7.00
		cash on hand	$76.16

At the meeting of Directors of Kings County Union Agricultural Society held at Springfield, Feb 28th 1883

Officers Present: J H Gorham, President, J S Marvin, V P,
Capt. Wm Shampier, John A Parlee, Philo A Northrup, E W Case, John Hill,
W. E. Pickett, secretary.

After meeting opened the premium' list for present years was taken up section by section. Premiums on ploughing were added Exhibition to be held on 11th

Oct 1883.Moved and sec that the secretary do procure a cash box for the society.
carried

Moved and carried that meeting adjourn. [?] W E Pickett. Sec

At a meeting of Directors of Union Ag Society held at the Hall, Kingston, Aug 30th 1883

Present Joseph H Gorham, Pres., Jas S Marvin & Chas Foster V. Pres.
John Howe, D D Northrup, P A Northrup, Alex McAlary, John Hill
Directors and W. E. Pickett, Sec

Proposed that Directors proceed to selection of Judges for Exhibition to be held in Kingston on the 11th Oct. next:

Stock: – Hiram Brittain, Chas Scribner, Chas I Smith Esq
Produce: – James Cookson, Geo Inch, John Raymond Esq

D D Northrup, John White & W E Pickett appointed a committee to make preparation for exhibition, to put in new bridge at road, repair fences, provide dinner for Judges &c. Moved & sec. that a committee be appointed to endeavor to purchase a piece of land adjoining the Hall property. – carried
Same comm. D.D.N., J Hill, & W E P

Moved and sec. that the Hall be let without charge for religious & educational purposes. At the discretion of the care taker and that the rent for it for other uses be not less than $2.00 per night parties renting to provide wood & light.

Adjourned for dinner

Afternoon Session

After some discussion on stock it was decided to purchase some sheep or meat stock at Dominion Exhibition or Stock Farm if possible and advantageous.
W E Pickett was appointed a com"tee to purchase. Chas Foster then appointed additional committee man on ploughing. Decided that the ploughing match take place on Wm Scovil's farm and that M" Thomas Purvis be requested to be present to Judge the ploughing

on motion meeting adjourned. WE Pickett

1883

Oct. 24th the committee appointed at last meeting for purchase of sheep procured two ram lambs. Lambs sold this day purchased by 1st Charles Foster for the sum of $5.25, 2nd D D Northrup for the sum of $4.00 condition of sale were cash
E A Perkins Esq Auctioneer.

The following prizes were awarded at the annual exhibition of the Kings County Union Agricultural Society held at Kingston Oct 24 1883

1883

No 2 M" S E Frost

	best bull calf(Ayrshire)	$0.75
1st	steers 4 yrs old	$0.95
1st	" 2 " "	$0.65
2nd	" 1 " "	$0.35
2nd	Brood Mare	$0.70
2nd	Colt 2 yrs	$0.45
1st	sucking colt	$0.45
1st	woolen shawl	$0.55
		$4.85

3 M" S E Frost

2nd	ewe 1 yr	$0.35
1st	cheese	$0.80
2nd	socks	$0.20
1st	driving mitts	$0.35
2nd	hearth rug	$0.25
1s	turkeys	$0.65
		$2.60

5 M" William Shampier

	best colt 3 yrs	$0.75
3rd	sow	$0.50
		$1.25

6 M" L BeVeber Lyon

3rd	ram lamb	$0.25
3rd	ewe lamb	$0.25
3rd	wheat	$0.55
1st	early horn carrots	$0.35
2nd	white yarn	$0.35
		$1.75

7 Joseph H Gorham

	best bull (Ayrshire)	$1.45
	best cow "	$1.10
3rd	" "	$0.50
1st	heifer "	$0.75
2nd	" "	$0.55
1st	steers 3 yrs old	$0.85
1st	wheat	$1.00
2nd	kidney potatoes	$0.25
3rd	potatoes (other kinds)	$0.15
2nd	Intermediate carrots	$0.20
1st	variety table apples	$0.65
1st	seedling "	$0.65
2nd	onions	$0.40
1st	butter	$0.66
2nd	hens	$0.35
		$9.51

8 M" John Howe

3rd	rough buckwheat	$0.25
2nd	grass seed	$0.75
2nd	corn	$0.25
1st	blood beets	$0.35
2nd	turnip "	$0.25
2nd	variety table apples	$0.55
1st	squash	$0.35
3rd	onions	$0.20
1st	shirting	$0.55
1st	jersey	$0.55
		$4.05

9 M" Philo A Northrup

2nd	grade heifer 1 yr	$0.45
2nd	steers 4 yrs old	$0.75
2nd	ram lamb	$0.35
2nd	ewe "	$0.35
1st	brood mare	$1.15
1st	beans	$0.40
3rd	stock potatoes	$0.15
1st	turnips	$0.35
2nd	butter	$0.50
		$4.45

11 W E Pickett

3rd	grade cow	$0.55
1st	" heifer 1 yr	$0.65
1st	kidney potatoes	$0.35
2nd	early horn carrots	$0.20
2nd	blood beets	$0.25
1st	butter	$0.66
		$2.66

12 M" Charles Marvin

1st	stock potatoes	$0.35
1st	butter	$0.66
		$1.01

16 M" Peter Cosman

best	colt 2 yrs	$0.65
2nd	" 1 "	$0.35
3rd	black oats	$0.15
2nd	driving mitts	$0.25
2nd	collection poultry	$0.70
		$2.10

18 M" John A Parlee

3rd	ram lamb	$0.35
1st	barley	$0.40
1st	copper potatoes	$0.35
		$1.10

19 Rev H S Wainwright

2nd	cow grade	$0.85

20 M" Hiram Parlee

2nd	barley	$0.35
1st	knitted drawers & shirt	$0.55
1st	mitts men's	$0.30
1st	butter	$0.66
		$1.86

22 M" D D Northrup

3rd	heifer grade 1 yr	$0.25
1st	colt 1 yr	$0.55
1st	white oats	$0.35
1st	rough buckwheat	$0.40
1st	grass seed	$1.00
3rd	blood beets	$0.15
2nd	pumpkins	$0.25
1st	horse shoes	$0.30
2nd	turkeys	$0.45
		$3.70

23 Robert Gilliland

2nd	working oxen	$1.00
2nd	potatoes (other kinds)	$0.25
		$1.25

24 M" Charles Foster

	best Devon Bull 3 yr	$1.45
	" " cow	$1.45
	" " heifer	$0.75
	" " " calf	$0.45
2nd	heifer grade 2 yr	$0.55
1st	ewe 1 yr	$0.55
3rd	squash	$0.15
		$5.35

25 M" Howard Lyon

2nd	steers 3 yr	$0.65
1st	" 1 yr	$0.55
2nd	colt 3 yr	$0.55
		$1.75

27 M" G H Flewelling

3rd	Intermediate carrots	$0.15

28 M" Justus Pickett

	best bull calf (grade)	$0.45
	" heifer " "	$0.45
	" ram lamb	$0.55
3rd	colt 3 yr	$0.35
1s	socks	$0.30
1st	stockings	$0.30
1st	knitted skirt	$0.75
1st	coloured yarn	$0.45
1st	white yarn	$0.45
1st	geese	$0.65
		$4.70

31 M" John White

2nd	cow Ayrshire	$1.10
2nd	heifer Calf grade	$0.35
1st	ewe	$0.75
3rd	ewe	$0.25
2nd	coloured yarn	$0.35
1st	butter	$0.66
		$3.46

34 M" Chas R Howe

2nd	rough buckwheat	$0.35
3rd	grass seed	$0.45
2nd	butter	$0.50
		$1.30

36 M" Alex McAlary

3rd ewe	$0.35
3rd colt	$0.45
2nd beans	$0.35
1st peas	$0.40
	$1.55

39 M" John O Dann

best working oxen	$1.35
3rd steers 4 yr	$0.55
2nd " 2 "	$0.45
1st early rose potatoes	$0.35
1st potatoes (other kinds)	$0.35
2nd cheese	$0.50
2nd butter	$0.50
2nd geese	$0.45
	$4.50

41 M" R W Wetmore

best cow grade	$1.15
2nd grey buckwheat	$0.35
3rd corn	$0.15
3rd early rose potatoes	$0.15
2nd stock potatoes	$0.25
1st pumpkins	$0.35
	$2.40

61 M" J W Chaloner

best steer calves	$0.45
3rd pumpkins	$0.15
2nd butter	$0.50
	$1.10

62 M" John White

best carpet	$0.75
2nd shawl	$0.35
3rd peas	$0.25
	$1.35

63 M" George Chaloner

2nd butter	$0.50

64 M" Nathan Ganong

2nd bull Devon	$1.10
1st cabbage	$0.25
2nd carpet	$0.55
1st hearth rug	$0.35
	$2.25

65 M" Grilford Flewelling

best intermediate carrots	$0.35
1st collection poultry	$0.90
1st hens	$0.45
1st ducks	$0.45
	$2.15

Plowing

1st John Hill	$3.00
2nd G D Flewelling	$2.00
3rd Chas Bruce	$1.00
	$6.00

Judges M" Roach and M" Purvis report plowing excellent

At the annual meeting of the Union Agricultural Society held at Springfield Oct 27th 1883

The prizes were awarded at the late exhibition paid to those present. Committee on purchasing ground by Hall, report having purchased about 10 rods from M" Geo Hoyt and received deed. Ac[c]t for purchase of hall received and accepted. Ordered to be paid in full. Ordered that the following bills be paid:

bill for insurance on Hall
" " printing premium list 1883
" " cash box, freight on sheep from F'ton
" " selling sheep (auctioneer)
" " Sec-Treasurer Salary & stationary postage &c
" " Judges dinners, cord, nails, cotton &c
" " committee preparing grounds, exhibition
" " lumber (Murphy)
" " " (Waddell)

Ordered that the sum of $3.25 cents be refunded to M" G Williams on ac[c]t of loss of pig purchased by him from Society at Clifton Oct 1881

Moved and seconded that Jas E Fairweather of Norton be nominated delegate to Prov. Board of Agriculture carried unanimously

Moved and seconded that this meeting stand adjourned until Saturday 3rd November next then to meet at Society's Hall, Kingston at 10 o'clock A.M.
W E Pickett Secretary

At the adjourned annual meeting of the Union Ag Society held at their Hall, Kingston Nov. 3rd 1883

Subscription List of 1884 was open the following persons became members.

#	name	fee	#	name	fee
1	John O Dann	$1.00	28	Geo Chaloner	$1.00
2	C D Fairweather	$1.00	29	Chas Bruce	$1.00
3	Alex McAlary	$1.00	30	Stephen Crawford	$1.00
4	John Smith	$1.00	31	William Shampier	$1.00
5	D D Northrup	$1.00	32	Hoyt F Pickett	$1.00
6	Chas Marvin	$1.00	33	R Smith Pickett	$1.00
7	Joseph H Gorham	$1.00	34	Perry Fairweather	$1.00
8	W E Pickett	$1.00	35	Horace Northrup (Peter)	$1.00
9	Philo A Northrup	$1.00	36	Sam Scribner	$1.00
10	Thos H Braman	$1.00	37	Frank S Northrup	$1.00
11	Charles Foster	$1.00	38	R C Williams	$1.00
12	John Hill	$1.00	39	Silas Raymond	$1.00
13	John Howe	$1.00	40	Chas H Whiting	$1.00
14	Hiram Parlee	$1.00	41	John A Parlee	$1.00
15	Chas R Howe	$1.00	42	S E Frost	$1.00
16	K W Chaloner	$1.00	43	Jas E Fairweather	$1.00
17	H D Wetmore	$1.00	44	Wm Thompson	$1.00
18	R W Wetmore	$1.00	45	Sam Prince	$1.00
19	G H Flewelling	$1.00	46	H J Fowler	$1.00
20	G D Flewelling	$1.00	47	Geo L Taylor	$1.00
21	Rev. H S Wainwright	$1.00	48	Justus Pickett	$1.00
22	Gilbert C Williams	$1.00	49	O W Wetmore	$1.00
23	Robert Gilliland	$1.00	50	C W A Puddington	$1.00
24	D P Wetmore	$1.00	51	G Merritt	$1.00
25	E H Merritt	$1.00	52	J S Wetmore	$1.00
26	Sam Foster	$1.50	53	A H Flewelling	$1.00
27	Chas Scovil	$1.00	54	Jas J Brien	$1.00

#	name	fee
55	A P Wetmore	$1.00
56	S S Hall	$1.00
57	W F Flewelling	$1.00
58	E P Fullerton	$1.00
59	Edwin Peters	$1.00
60	W H Merritt	$1.00
61	Cunningham Brien	$1.00
62	Geo Brien	$1.00
63	J Lee Fewelling	$1.00
64	Theo Holder	$1.00
65	Walker Long	$1.00
66	J E Flewelling	$1.00
67	N E Gorham	$1.00
68	A C Fairweather	$1.00
69	J G Paddock	$1.00
70	Nathan Ganong	$1.00
71	Norman Northrup	$1.00
72	Daniel McDougall	$1.00
73	Chas scriber	$1.00
74	Robert Godfrey	$1.00
75	James Domville	$1.00
76	C Allen Frost	$1.00
77	John D Brien	$1.00
78	J Bentley Flewelling	$1.00
79	Jas H Flewelling	$1.00
80	James Morse	$1.00
81	Jacob Cosman	$1.00
82	John Rogers	$1.00
83	K G Campbell	$1.00
84	Willett Williams	$1.00
85	Jas Puddington	$1.00
86	John McFarland	$1.00
87	Joseph Evans	$1.00
88	Robert Harrity	$1.00
89	E S Northrup	$1.00
90	L DeVeber Lyon	$1.00
91	Peter E Appleby	$1.00
92	John Wheton	$1.00
93	David Jones	$1.00
94	Leonard Crawford	$1.00
95	W A Pitt	$1.00
96	John Harris	$1.00
97	D A Paddock	$1.00
98	Henry Redmore	$1.00
99	J F Merritt	$1.00
100	E D B Wetmore	$1.00
101	Geo H Kierstead	$1.00
102	Robert Sheldrick	$1.00
	Nov 26 subscriptions to date	$103.50
	additional subscriptions	
103	Alfred Seely	$1.00
104	W J Giggy	$1.00
105	Geo Grey	$1.00
106	Robt J Flewelling	$1.00
107	John Day	$1.00
108	Prof. Geo E Foster	$1.00
109	Geo Williams	$1.00
	enclosed to Prov. Sec	
	Dec 27th	
110	Albert McCleery	$1.00

On motion meeting proceed to election of officers. Moved and sec that no member nominate more than two members for Directors. Carried.

Moved and carried that we elect Directors by ballot.

Elected:

C D Fairweather	PA Northup
John Howe	Geo Chaloner
Joseph H Gorham	D D Northrup

John Hill	Capt. Wm Shampier
K W Chaloner	G H Flewelling
H D Wetmore	Chas Marvin
D P Wetmore	D P Wetmore Esq President
Chas Bruce	C D Fairweather Esq 1st VP
R W Wetmore	John Hill 2nd VP

W E Pickett Secretary and Treasurer

Moved and seconded that President elect take the chair. A vote of thanks was unanimously given the late President (Joseph H Gorham) for his attention to and able management of the Society during his term of office.

On motion a committee of two were appointed to attend Stock Farm on Tuesday next and purchase sheep and young stock to amt. of funds on hand if deemed admissible.

W E Pickett and K H Gorham committee

On motion D P Wetmore, President added to do committee directed to purchase to a greater extent if thought advantageous K W Chaloner & C D Fairweather added thereto

moved and seconded that this Society do not hold an exhibition the coming year.

On motion Should committee purchase stock. Sale to take place at Kingston.

Carried

on motion meeting adjourned

W E Pickett Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society held at the Hall, Kingston Nov 17th 1883

officers present were: D P Wetmore, President

C D Fairweather and J Hill V Presidents

Directors: J H Gorham	J W Chaloner
H D Wetmore	Chas Bruce
Geo Chaloner	P A Northrup
Capt. Shampier	D D Northrup

W E Pickett, secretary

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Committee to purchase Stock at Stock farm Sale report having purchased 1 Ayrshire Bull at a cost of $80. And 2 Shopshire down ram lambs at a cost of $48. After a lengthy discussion the following

resolution was moved by C D Fairweather Esq. Seconded by Capt Shampier. That to make the Union Agricultural Society, a success, it is desirable to have it's meetings and exhibitions in more central situations. And as the people of the lower part of the parish of Kingston have expressed willing to take hold of the matter and make the Society a success.

Therefore: Resolved, that the meetings and exhibition be held alternately in Kingston and Clifton, provided a suitable building can be had free.

Moved and seconded that the Bull be kept by the Society for one year provided that he can be kept at a reasonable rate. Carried

Moved and seconded that the fee for service of Bull be from members of Society fifty cents all others one dollar Carried

Ordered that M" Bruce' bill for keeping Bull since the purchase until now be paid $4.00

Ordered that W E Pickett's bill for getting sheep from River, Stationary &c be paid $1.60

On motion adjourn until 2 o'clock P.M.

Afternoon Session

On motion decided that sheep be sold with the understanding that they are to be kept within limits of this Society for 3 years and [further!] That they be sold on three month credit with good Security.

Moved and carried that sale of sheep be proceeded with. First choice sold to J Chaloner for the sum of $10.50 the next to Capt Shampier for the sum of $10.00

Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to make inquiries if an Ayrshire Bull can be purchased at a reasonable rate for the use of the Society and where it can be advantageously placed for the benefit of the members. carried

Joseph H Gorham appointed such committee

moved seconded and carried

That this Society give premium the coming year on the best yield from ¼ of an acre of turnips, ¼ of an acre of carrots, and ¼ of an acre of potatoes, the seed used to be

of the same variety, and a correct account given on the nature of the soil manure and manner of cultivation.

Moved and Carried

Turnip to be Swede
Carrots to be Intermediate
Potatoes to be Early Rose
and that there be 4 prizes on each crop 1st $6.00., 2nd $4.00, 3rd $3.00, 4th $2.00

Also the President and Secretary prepare premium list to be submitted to Directors

Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to arrange for an Agriculture Sociable to be held in Clifton Carried

D P Wetmore H D WetmoreJ W Chaloner
Capt Wm Shampier R W WetmoreCommittee

On motion meeting adjourned W E Pickett, secr.

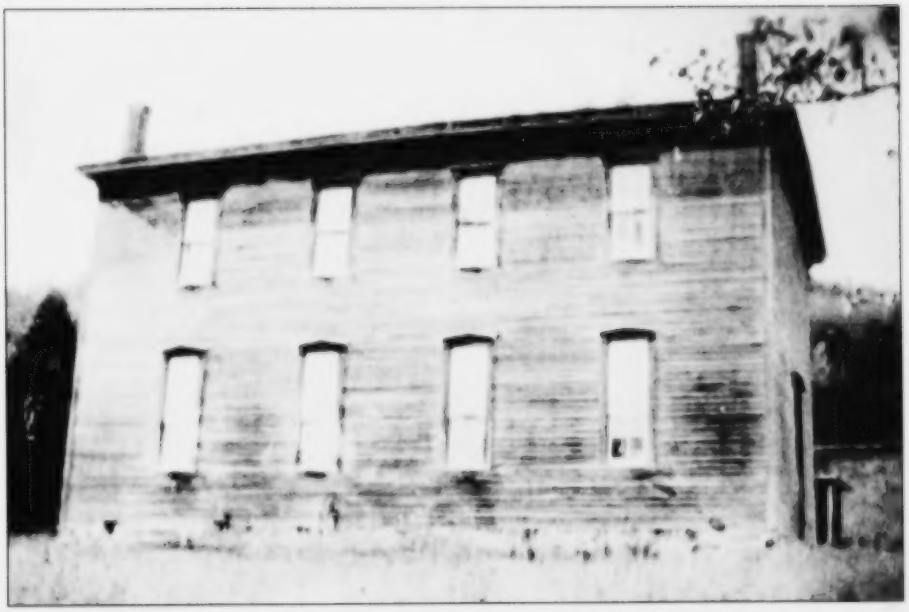
At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society held at the Hall, Clifton, on Monday Decem. 10th 1883
officers present: D P Wetmore, Pres.
C D Fairweather and John Hill V Pres

R W Wetmore	G H Flewelling	Capt. Wm Shampier
J W Chaloner	D D Northrup	J H Gorham
Geo Chaloner	Chas Bruce	
R A Northrup	H D Wetmore	W E Pickett, Secretary

Minutes of preceeding meeting read, amended, and approved. Committee to inquire as to possibility of purchasing Ayrshire bull reports not having fully attended to that duty on account of want of time.

President reports having corresponded with M" Roach, Sussex. Bull for sale 3 years old, price $35. Also with M" Frost, Norton, Bull calf for sale, price $36. Also having received petition from members of Society on Long Reach. And at Moss Glen. Asking Directors to locate an Ayrshire Bull in each section. Also petition from members in Clifton asking Society to make arrangements with R W Wetmore to secure the Services of his Ayrshire Bull for the use of members.

Moved by C D Fairweather that the two Bulls be purchased provided they are properly registered.



Clifton Hall, with carriage shed in the background. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Moved and seconded that meeting adjourn for dinner

Afternoon Session

Moved and Sec. that the charge for services of Bull be for members .25 those not members $1.

Moved and seconded that the bulls be sold and located one within 1 mile of the Long Reach Church, the other within 1 mile of the Moss Glen School House.
Carried

Moved and seconded that the older bull be kept by the person purchasing at least 1 year. The younger one to be kept at least two years until relieved by Society.
Carried

Moved and sec. that a committee be appointed to attend to the purchasing and sale of these bulls, under the terms of sale laid down by the Directors. Carried

Authorize to give three months credit with approved security. Carried

Moved and sec. that committee consist of President, Vice Presidents and Secretary
Carried

Ordered that bulls be sold at Hall, Kingston. Also that committee be authorized to purchase another bull, should the purchase of one of these fail.

Moved and sec. that a committee be appointed to confer at once with R W Wetmore as to what terms of service of his bull could be secured to members of Society. Carried

Committee appointed: C D Fairweather, Capt. Wm Shampier, Jas H Gorham
Committee to retire with M' Wetmore, on return report: it advisable to agree with M" Wetmore for the sum of $10. Bull to be kept at least nine months, service to members .25 others $1.

Moved and seconded that the question of securing service of bull at Clifton lie over for the present. Carried

After a long discussion in regard to Hall at Kingston. Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to make necessary repairs on Hall and get a few lamps for it if necessary. Carried

Committee: Jos H Gorham, D P Wetmore, W E Pickett, C D Fairweather, D D Northrup

Minutes of meeting read. On motion meeting adjourned W E Pickett Sec.

Dec 20th 1883
The two Ayrshire Bulls ordered to be purchased at the last meeting of the Directors were brought to Kingston on the 18th Dec. and sold on the 20th Dec according to direction and advertisements posted on the 11th. The bull (Dandy Jack) 3 years old was sold to Cunningham Brien for the sum of $15. Note on 3 months with interest. The younger bull (one year old) sold to Daniel McDougall, Long Reach, for the sum of $9. dollars cash. W E Pickett, sec

At a meeting of Directors of the Union A Society held at the Hall, Kingston 10th January 1884 at 7 o'clock P.M.
officers present:– D P Wetmore, President
C D Fairweather and John Hall, Vice Presidents

Directors: – Jos H Gorham	P A Northrup
D D Northrup	Chas Bruce
Geo Chaloner	R W Wetmore
John Chaloner	W E Pickett Sec.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Committee on preparing regulations for premium list report:

On motion the report is taken up section by section and passed as follows.: –

Section 1st The Directors of the Union Agriculture Society offer the following prizes to members on field crops for the year 1884.

Greatest weight of Early Rose Potatoes from ¼ of an acre: – 1st Prize $8.00
2nd " 6.00
3rd " 4.00
4th " 3.00
5th " 2.00

Greatest weight of Swede turnips from ¼ of an acre: – 1st Prize $8.00
2nd " 6.00
3rd " 4.00
4th " 3.00
5th " 2.00

Greatest weight of intermediate carrots from ¼ of an acre: – 1st Prize $8.00
2nd " 6.00
3rd " 4.00
4th " 3.00
5th " 2.00

2nd Competitors must notify the secretary of their intention to compete not later than July 1st when Judges will be appointed in the different sections, who will see the crops harvested and weighed.

3rd The charges of the judges for this, if any, will have to be borne by persons competing.

4th The judges will see that the turnips and carrots are properly trimmed fairly free from dirt and sound. Potatoes must be wholly sound and fairly clean but small potatoes not rejected.

5th The judges in measuring the land will measure from the centre between rows where the competitor requests and then take a sufficient length to give the required size.

6th The judges will be required to make affidavits before a magistrate to the correctness of their statements of the weight &c of crops, and must report to the Directors at the annual meeting of Society the last week in October, after which the prizes will be awarded.

7th Prize winners will be required, before receiving their prize, to give a statement of quality and condition of land manner and cost of cultivation, quality and kind of manure and how applied.

Committee on repairs of Hall render a short report of the work done and cost $27.29

Report accepted

On motion the following bills were ordered to be paid: –

D P Wetmore bill for lamps, locks &c	$10.20
S Frost " can oil, nails &c	1.94
James Waddell for boards	9.90
F W Flewelling hauling "	2.25
R W Wetmore work on Hall	3.00

Matter relating to rent of Hall taken up and following rates of charges passed.

Free for educational & religious or charitable purposes with the exception of a sufficient sum to pay for light and wood, say .50 cents when used in the evening and in cold weather.

For other purposes, when rented for the evening and used until 10 o'clock PM $2.00

when used until after 10 o'clock PM	$2.50
" " " " 12	$3.00
" " " " 3 AM	$3.50

All traveling shows &c to be charged at least $3.00 even if the Hall is not used later than 10 PM

The person in charge of the Hall to get 50 cents for each time it is rented but to get nothing for meetings of the Directors & the general and special meetings of the Society.

He is to keep the Hall clean and in good order sufficient for public meetings and to keep the lamps cleaned and filled.

Committees or persons renting will have to be responsible for damage done beyond the ordinary wear and tear, and the person in charge will either have to be present or get some responsible person to act for him.

In case of doubt the person in charge to refer to officers of Society.

Hall given in charge to Horace Northrup until next annual meeting.

On motion meeting adjourned. W E Pickett, secr.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agriculture Society at the Hall, Kingston on the evening of 23rd Jan.
Officers present were D P Wetmore, Pres., C D Fairweather V Pres., J H Gorham, DD Northrup, R W Wetmore, P A Northrup, Geo Chaloner, G H Flewelling, John Chaloner & W E Pickett.

The following persons were appointed delegates to attend a meeting of the Pro. Farmers Association to be held at Hampstead Jan 29th 1884

John O Dann Esq	James Domville Esq
G H Flewelling Esq	Jos H Gorham Esq
and W E Pickett	

meeting adjourned W E Pickett, secr.

At a meeting of Directors of the Union Agriculture Society held at Hall, Kingston on Wed 13th Feb
Officers present: – D P Wetmore, pres
C D Fairweather and John Hall V P

J H Gorham	Capt Shampier
D D Northrup	J W Chaloner
Geo Chaloner	P A Northrup
Chas Bruce	G H Flewelling
W E Pickett, secr.	

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Meeting called for the purpose of taking into consideration the proposal of renting Hall to School Trustees for school purposes until such times as other school accommodation can be provided.

Moved by C D Fairweather, seconded by P A Northrup,' that the school trustees have the use of Hall at $9 per quarter under the following conditions:

1st The Agricultural Society have the use of the Hall for all meetings of the Society.

2nd And also for any other public meetings the Society may wish to rent the Hall for. Said meetings to interfere as little with the school as possible.

The trustees to put the Hall in condition for such meetings, and also to be responsible for any damage to the building and return it into the hands of the Society in as good condition as when received, ordinary wear and tear excepted. The trustees to pay any additional insurance that may be required

Either party can terminate the agreement by giving one months noticecarried

meeting adjourned. W E Pickett secr.

Aug 30th 1884
At a meeting of Directors of the Union Agricultural Society held at the residence of G H Flewelling Esq Clifton
Officers Present: – D P Wetmore Esq President

C D Fairweather Esq	John Hall VP
G H Flewelling	J M Chaloner
H D Wetmore	Geo Chaloner
W E Pickett Sec.	

Moved and seconded that A C Fairweather Esq and John Day be allowed to compete on field crops, although notification to Secretary was late. Carried

Directors proceed to appoint Judges on field crops.
H D Wetmore, J S Wetmore, Merritt Flewelling and S S Hall Esq on field crops in Clifton and Rothesay, W E Pickett, for Springfield, C D Fairweather, Geo Chaloner Kingston and vicinity
Direction for Judges.

Judges to make return of size of ground length & breath in yards and be guided by printed form of regulations.

Ordered that the annual meeting of Society be held at Society Hall Kingston on Friday 31st October at 10 o'clock A M

Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to attend Stock Farm Sale and purchase 2 or 3 Shopshire down sheep if funds permit. Carried

Moved and carried that President appoint committee

Jos H Gorham
John Hill
John Chaloner committee

Moved and carried that com. Purchase 1 or 2 Leicister Sheep if deemed advisable and also a boar pig If to be had a Chester.

On motion meeting adjourn W E Pickett, Sec.

Oct 31 1884

The Annual Meeting of the Union Agricultural Society held at the Society's Hall, Kingston on Friday Oct 31st 1884

Meeting opened in due form, minutes of the last Annual Meeting read and approved. Communication from H McMonagle Esq read relating to pigs. Committee to purchase at stock farm sale: report having bought one shropshire ewe lamb at $35. Also 2 boar pigs from H McMonagle Esq Sussex at $12. each

report received

The following Bills were ordered to be paid:

W E Pickett, salary & contingencies	$17.00
John Hill getting bulls from Hampton	$ 1.75
J H Gorham " pigs " "	$ 1.50
C D Fairweather feeding cattle & pigs	$ 1.00
auctioneer R J Flewelling selling stock at Clifton 1881	$ 1.00
Rev D G Wetmore printing	$ 2.00

Communication from J E Fairweather read also one from J D M Keaton

M" Fairweather and Keaton were proposed as nominees for provincial Board of Agriculture.

M" Fairweather elected. By ballot.

John Hill presented his acct for keeping Ayrshire bull Duke of Kings.

Ordered that bal. due him $34.00 be paid

Directors proceeded to award prizes on field crops.

Reports from the judges handed in also statements from competitors as required by regulations. When the following prizes were awarded by Directors.

For the greatest weight of potatoes raised on one quarter acre of land:

M" R W Wetmore	1st $8.	Weighed	5572 lb
" John Howe	2nd $6.	"	5565 "
" O W Wetmore	3rd $4	"	5275 "
" C Brien	4th $3.	"	5143 "
" J H Gorham	5th $2	"	5134 "

Greatest weight of Turnips on quarter acre

M" J O Dann	1st $8	"	7763 "
John Howe	2nd $6	"	7077 "
" James Domville	3rd $4	"	6732 "
Chas Foster	4th $3	"	6572½
" O W Wetmore	5th $2	"	6335 "

Greatest weight carrots on 1/8 acre

M" A C Fairweather	1st $8.	"	5764 "
O W Wetmore	2nd $6.	"	5228 "
" G H Flewelling	3rd $4	"	5145
" John Howe	4th $3	"	4892½
" sJ H Gorham	5th $2	"	4204

On motion resolved

That the President and Secretary be authorized to have published a summary of the statements of field crops made to this Society and order that a copy of the paper in which the publication is made be sent to each member of this Society. List of members to form new society was opened.

Moved and seconded that the Parish of Rothesay be requested to join with us in working this society. carried

The following persons became members of this Society for the year ending 1885.

1	C H Whiting	$1.00	10	Chas Bruce	$1.00
2	C D Fairweather	$1.00	11	Edwin Chaloner	$1.00
3	J Morris Robinson	$1.00	12	Alex McAlary	$1.00
4	Geo Chaloner	$1.00	13	James Domville	$1.00
5	Chas Scovil	$1.00	14	C W A Puddington	$1.00
6	J H Gorham	$1.00	15	J S Wetmore	$1.00
7	J W Chaloner	$1.00	16	H D Wetmore	$1.00
8	John Hill	$1.00	17	J O Dann	$2.00
9	P A Northrop	$1.00	18	Chas Piers	$1.00

19	R W Wetmore	$1.00
20	D D Northrop	$1.00
21	W E Pickett	$5.00
22	Chas Scribner	$1.00
23	Hoyt Pickett	$1.00
24	Sam Scriber	$1.00
25	E H Merritt	$1.00
26	Geo Brien	$1.00
27	Cunn. Brien	$1.00
28	J R MacFarlane	$1.00
29	Geo Gray	$1.00
30	John MacFarlane	$1.00
31	Jos Porter	$1.00
32	Wm Haslett	$1.00
33	W J Giggy	$1.00
34	H Redmore	$1.00
35	J F Merritt	$1.00
36	J L Flewelling	$1.00
37	S S Hall	$1.00
38	John Brien	$1.00
39	John D Brien	$1.00
40	James Kierstead	$1.00
41	W H Merritt	$1.00
42	D P Wetmore	$20.00
43	David Magee	$1.00
44	O W Wetmore	$1.00
45	G Merritt	$1.00
46	A C Fairweather	$1.00
47	Walker Long	$1.00
48	James Puddington	$1.00
49	G C Williams	$1.00
51	Thea Holder	$1.00
52	R C Williams	$1.00
53	N E Gorham	$1.00
54	John Day	$1.00
55	Jas H Flewelling	$1.00
56	Stephen Crawford	$1.00
57	M W Flewelling	$1.00
58	Jas Morse	$1.00
59	R J Flewelling	$1.00
60	Chas Foster	$1.00
61	Rev D I Wetmore	$1.00
62	G H Flewelling	$1.00
63	Jas E Wetmore	$1.00
64	Rev H S Wainwright	$1.00
65	Robert Godfrey	$1.00
66	Jas W Domville	$1.00
67	H Domville	$1.00
68	Jas W White	$1.00
69	W H Chetley	$1.00
70	Jas E Fairweather	$1.00
71	A H Flewelling	$1.00
72	G D Flewelling	$1.00
73	Jesse Jones	$1.00
74	Wm Kierstead	$1.00
75	Silas Raymond	$1.00
76	Wm Hazen	$1.00
77	John Howe	$1.00
78	Jas T Howe	$1.00
79	C Allan Frost	$1.00
80	John F Frost	$1.00
81	Chas Dixon	$1.00
82	R Smith Pickett	$1.00
83	D D Paddock	$1.00
84	Shalor Cosman	$1.00
85	Jacob Cosman	$1.00
86	K T Logan	$1.00
87	Jos Evans	$1.00
50	Jas Darrah	$1.00
88	E P Fullerton	$1.00
89	Saul Linton	$1.00
90	T F Barker	$1.00
91	Leonard Crawford	$1.00
92	J B Flewelling	$1.00
93	Chas P Smith	$1.00
94	John Rogers	$1.00
95	J Alfred Seely	$1.00
96	Albert McCleery	$1.00
97	Dan McDougall	$1.00
98	M J Thompson	$1.00
99	F W Flewelling	$1.00
100	M' Maynes	$1.00
101	(Miss) M A Wetmore	$1.00
102	Chas A Belyea	$1.00
103	Elijah Kirkpatrick	$1.00
104	Wm Walton	$1.00

105 John McCann	$1.00	120 Dan Buckley	$1.00
106 Dr. G L Taylor	$1.00	121 Wm Cronk	$1.00
107 H J Fowler	$1.00	127 Azar Sprague	$1.00
108 O M Flewelling	$1.00	122 John Harris	$1.00
109 Stephen Smith	$1.00	128 L C Sartell	$1.00
110 Perry Fairweather	$1.00	123 E D B Wetmore	$1.00
111 Char R Howe	$1.00	129 Benj Gray	$1.00
112 Justus Pickett	$1.00	124 T E Flewelling	$1.00
113 George Kierstead	$1.00	130 W Lee Nutter	$1.00
114 Robert Gilliland	$1.00	125 Geo T Kierstead	$1.00
115 M" Geo Whelpley	$1.00	131 Jos Kennedy	$1.00
116 E S Northrop	$1.00	126 Justus H Gray	$1.00
117 Stephen Cronk	$1.00	132 A B Holder	$1.00
118 James Williams	$1.00	133 James Bradley	$1.00
119 Wm Long	$1.00		

Stock sold. R J Flewelling Auctioneer condition: pigs to be kept until 15th June 1885 available to members of Society at .50 cents Service, others not less than $1.00 each. The ewe Lamb to be sold under bonds to be kept not less than 3 years in province. All at three months credit with interest and approved credit.

The Chester and Berkshire pig was purchased by Chas Scovil for $9.00. The pure bred Chester by J J McFarlane for $5.50 The Shopshire Ewe lamb by J M Chaloner for $13.50.

The keeping of Ayrshire bull 'Duke of Kings', was let at Public Sale to M" John Hall at the rate of $75. per year to be fed not less than two quarts oats per day * fees to be paid at time of service. Same rates as previous year.

R J Flewelling's bill for selling pigs and sheep ordered to be paid $1.00.

Oct 31 1884

Officers elected for the ensuring year as follows: –

D P Wetmore	Jos H Gorham
W J Giggy	R C Williams
James Domville	S S Hall
R W Wetmore	Chas Bruce
J W Chaloner	E H Merritt
C D Fairweather	G H Flewelling
Geo Chaloner	J S Wetmore
J C Williams	

D P Wetmore Esq. President
C D Fairweather Esq. 1st Vice President
J H Gorham Esq. 2nd Vice President
W E Pickett, secretary & treasurer

On motion decided to hold an exhibition the coming year. Moved & seconded That the exhibition be held at Clifton Carried

On motion meeting adjourned W E Pickett, Secretary

omitted The following list of prizes offered by Chemical Manure Company was read before the meeting and directed to be placed on the minutes.

The Canada Chemical Manure and Fertilizer Company, with a view to stimulating the growth of large crops on small areas, offers the following prizes to be competed for next year.

For the largest yield of potatoes from ½ acre : – 1st $50.00, 2nd $15.00, 3rd $10.
Largest yield turnips from ½ acre: – 1st $30., 2nd $15., 3rd $10.
Largest yield oats from one acre. $20.

Rules for competition may be obtained by application to Secretary of Company at Rothesay. John O Dann, president Rothesay Oct 31st 1884

At a meeting of Directors of the Union Agriculture Society at Clifton Dec. 4th 1884:

Present: –D P Wetmore, President
C D Fairweather, VP

James Domville	T W Chaloner
Chas Bruce	R W Wetmore
J S Wetmore	W J Giggy
G C Williams	E H Merritt
G H Flewelling	W E Pickett, Sec

After some remarks by president – of business to come before Society: –
Moved by C D Fairweather Sec. by W J Giggy that a sociable be held by this society at the Agr. Hall Kingston during holidays. Carried

Moved and passed that the President appoint not less than six of a comm. for such purpose.

W E Pickett	James Domville Esq
C D Fairweather	Geo Chaloner

John Hill John Chaloner
Chas Bruce

On motion the President added to comm.

Moved and seconded that Sociable be held on the 31st Dec. Carried

Chas Scovil and Chas Foster added to comm. Ordered that Secretary and C D Fairweather Esq. be a committee to arrange for care of Hall.

Moved and Sec. that secretary be directed to notify the Trustees of School District No 1 Kingston, that Society require their Hall by 15th inst. Furniture to be removed.

Communications read from members at Moss Glen asking Society to make arrangements that Ayrshire Bull 'Dandy Jack' be kept in same locality until August next. Also from members in Clifton that Ayrshire Bull 'Mountain Ranger' owned by R W Wetmore be kept in that locality for the same time.

Moved and seconded that W C Brien receive the sum of $15. for keeping bull (Dandy Jack) until August next on the same condition as last year. Carried

Also moved and Sec. that R W Wetmore receive the sum of $15. for keeping Bull (Mountain Ranger) until August next on same condition as M" Brien. Carried

Moved and seconded that being desirous of obtaining some thorough bred Holstein Cattle be it resolved:

That James Domville, D P Wetmore and J O Dann Esq. be a committee to negotiate for Holstein Cattle, not to exceed one Bull and two Heifers, to correspond with gov. make all arrangements and purchases if deemed advisable. Carried

Also resolved:

That the Society do agree to contribute $ towards the purchase of one Bull and two Heifers Carried

That the above blank be filled with #200. Carried

On motion M" E H Merritt was added to comm. on Holstein Stock.

Moved and sec. that that portion of by-law fixing amt subscription at $1.50 after Nov 20th be dispensed and subscription be received at $1 each until Jan 1st 1885

Moved and Sec. that R W Wetmore, D P Wetmore and W E Pickett be a committee to draft premium list for the coming exhibition.

Meeting adjourned W E Pickett, Secretary

In accordance with directions given by the Directors of this Society; **A Sociable tea Meeting of members of this Society – and others, was held at the Hall, Kingston, Dec. 31st 1884** at which, although traveling was not as good as expected to be, a large number were present and spent a pleasant evening.

Last fall it was proposed by some of the Directors, that seed buckwheat should be had by this society for the use of members. The President communicated with all the Directors, and made some inquiries about the grain, but being late in the Season it was deferred until Spring. When 150 Bush was bought from Victoria County of which about half was disposed of to members of Society – the rest sold at a Public Sale held at Clifton, at a small loss to Society.

1884/5		**Account**	**#**	
Dec	17th	paid D P Wetmore stationary	1	$2.30
"	"	" Rev D S Wetmore printing	2	$1.50
1885				
Jan	5	" S Foster bill	3	$2.79
April	29th	" Bale Seamless Bags	4	$21.00
"	"	" Lewis Pickett on act. buckwheat	5	$50.00
May	20th	" freight on buckwheat	6	$24.21
"	"	" Lewis Pickett on act. buckwheat & expenses	7	$13.23
"	"	" " " 25 bags per lot	8	$5.75
Aug	25th	" S J Moore bill stove pipe for Hall	9	$3.70
"	"	" Secretary towards expenses field crop 1884	10	$5.00
Sept	14th	" for lamb purchased stock farm 1884	11	$35.00
"	30	" R J Flewelling auctioneer selling buckwheat	12	$1.00
Oct	31	" Rev. D P Wetmore bill printing posters/tickets/premium	13	$4.10
"	"	" G H Flewelling work on exhibition grounds	14	$4.00
"	"	" T E Flewelling charge of cattle exhibition	15	$1.00
"	"	" W E Pickett Sec. & Tres. salary, postage &c	6	$21.82
"	"	" Serving Circle Dinners for Judges	17	$13.00
"	"	" Cunn. Brien keeping ayrshire bull 1 year	18	$15.00
"	"	" R W Wetmore " " " "	19	$15.00
"		" " Rev. D P Wetmore bill printing posters	20	$1.00
Nov	12	" Lunatic Asylum bill two Winsor pigs	21	$28.00
"	"	" W F Flewelling bill hauling pigs &c	22	$3.65
"		" " R J Flewelling auctioneer selling Bull & pigs	23	$1.00

"	14th	" J Hill keeping bull (Duke of Kings) 1 year	24	$75.00
"		" " J Hill driving bulls to Clifton & SF	25	$4.50
		Premium Exhibition		$237.90
1885		Account		$590.45
		bal on hand		$165.86
Mar	27th	received from Chas Scovil his note		$9.00
Sept	"	for rents Hall		$23.17
"		Provincial Grant		$230.00
Sept	29th	rec from J Chaloner and due on lamb for 1884		$6.75
Oct	3rd	" " J R Mcfarlane and due on pig (by D Price)		$5.50
Nov	3rd	" Amt refunded on freight of buckwheat		$2.20
	14th	" J Hill services Ayrshire Bull (DofK)		$19.00
		" subscriptions and donations		$105.00
		amt received on buckwheat		$76.98
"	"	" bags		$16.79
				$660.25
				$590.45
		Balance on hand		$69.80

Description of property	present value
Agricultural Hall (cost $200.)	$400.00
John Morrells note for 12 mo.	$40.00
O W Wetmore's " 3"	$15.00
J R McFarlane's " 3 "	$5.50
John O Dann's " " "	$10.00
Due Society on buckwheat	$3.42
unsold bags 21 per bag	$3.67

1885

At a meeting of Directors of the Union Agr Society held at Hall, Clifton Aug. 26th for the purpose of selecting judges for the coming Exhibition and other business.

Present: – D P Wetmore, President

J H Gorham, V Pres.	E H Merritt
R W Wetmore	J W Chaloner
Geo Chaloner	G H Flewelling Esq
J S Wetmore	W E Pickett, Sec.

After some discussion in regard to number of judges required. Moved and seconded that Hugh McMonagle Esq, Thos Roach and Geo Dobson Esq be requested to act as judges on Devon and Ayrshire cattle and horses. Carried

S S Hall Esq and General Warmer be requested to act as judges on Jersey Stock and poultry. Carried

Moved and seconded that E J Peters, Douglas King and David Magee Esq. be requested to act as judges on grade Cattle, oxen, sheep and swine. Carried

Wm Rankine and J S Armstrong Esq be requested to act as judges on Horticultural and Dairy produce. Carried

John Smith Esq., St John be requested to act as judge on woolen and fancy articles. Carried

Moved and seconded that Jas Johnson, Wm Sterritt and S H White Esq. be requested to act as judges on Agricultural produce Carried

Moved and seconded that the President and Secretary of this Society be authorized to fill any vacancies that may occur in judges attending. Carried

Moved and seconded that Miss S J More bill for stove pipe for Hall in Kingston $3.70 be paid. Carried

Moved and seconded that The sum of five dollars be paid to the society towards expenses judging field crops in 1884. Carried

Meeting adjourned W E Pickett, sec.

At the Annual Exhibition of the Union Agricultural Society held at Clifton Sept. 30th 1885 the following prizes were awarded.
The Judges were:

- Thos Roach, Jas W Sproul & R T Worden - Devon, Ayrshire & Horses
- S S Hall, Gen. Warmer & Judge King - Jerseys
- E J Peters, Douglas King & David Magee - Grade cattle, oxen, sheep & swine
- K S Armstrong, Wm Foster - Horticultural Produce
- H L Spencer & Mrs. T F Barker - Woolen & Fancy Articles
- Jas Johnson, Wm Sterritt & S H White - Agricultural Produce

1885 Prize list

No

2 M" C D Fairweather

3rd Hebron Potatoes	$0.30	
1st squash	$0.50	
	$0.80	$0.80

4 M" Geo. Chaloner

2nd Brood Mare	$1.40	
3rd Draught Horse	$1.40	
2nd Swedish Turnips	$0.30	
	$3.10	$3.10

6 M" Jos Gorham		
3rd Brood Mare	$1.40	
2nd Sucking Colt or Filly	$0.90	
3rd Ewe	$0.75	
3rd Ewe lamb	$0.50	
1st 1 doz ears corn	$0.60	
1st variety table apples	$1.00	
1st onions	$0.60	
2nd butter	$0.75	
	$6.50	$6.50
		$10.40
7 M' John Chaloner		
1st butter	$1.00	$1.00
8 M" John Hill		
1st colt or filly 1 yr	$1.10	
3rd Heifer 1 yr	$1.00	
3rd Ewe 1 yr	$0.75	
	$2.85	$2.85
9 M" P A Northrop		
1st Brood Mare	$2.00	
2nd Steers 4 yr	$1.20	
2nd Ram	$1.50	
3rd wheat	$0.60	
1st peas	$0.60	
3rd grass seed	$0.60	
1st swedish turnips	$0.50	
1st pumpkins	$0.50	
2nd butter	$0.75	
3rd 1 lb white yarn	$0.30	
1st common geese	$0.75	
	$9.30	$9.30
10 M" Chas Bruce		
2nd pumpkins	$0.40	
3rd 1 lb coloured yarn	$0.30	
	$0.70	$0.70
12 M" Alex McAlary		
2nd Ewe 1 yr	$1.00	
2nd Ewe lamb	$1.00	
	$2.00	$2.00
14 M" C W Puddington		
2nd Patchwork Quilt	$0.80	$0.80
		$27.05
15 M" J S Wetmore		
1st dairy cow	$2.10	
1st sow	$2.00	
2nd hebron potatoes	$0.40	
	$4.50	$4.50
16 M" H D Wetmore		
3rd dairy cow 2 yr	$1.20	
3rd white oats	$0.30	
3rd grey buckwheat	$0.30	
3rd early rose potatoes	$0.30	
1st butter (packed)	$1.00	
1st common hens	$1.00	
1st butter (rolled)	$1.00	
	$5.10	$5.10
17 M" J O Dann		
2nd butter	$0.75	
2nd ladies mitts	$0.30	
1st yarn hearth rug	$0.90	
2nd coloured yarn	$0.40	
3rd Berlin work	$0.30	
	$2.65	$2.65
19 M" R W Wetmore		
2nd dairy cow	$1.75	
3rd ram 1 yr	$0.75	
1st intermediate carrots	$0.50	
2nd turnip beets	$0.40	
	$3.40	$3.40
22 M" D D Northrop		
1st ram 1 yr	$1.50	
1st grey buckwheat	$0.60	
2nd rough buckwheat	$0.40	
2nd grass seed	$0.80	
1st yarn carpet	$1.20	
	$4.50	$4.50
		$46.95
21 W E Pickett		
3rd dairy cow	$1.50	
2nd dairy cow 3 yr	$1.75	

3rd swedish turnips	$0.30	
2nd early horn carrots	$0.40	
2nd long blood beets	$0.40	
1st honey on comb	$0.75	
2nd onions	$0.40	
1st butter	$1.00	
	$6.50	$6.50

22 M" Chas Scribner

2nd steers 3 yr	$1.00	
1st " 2 "	$1.00	
1st Bull 2 yr	$1.60	
	$3.60	$3.60

25 M" E H Merritt

1st Bull 1 yr (Jersey)	$1.00	
2nd heifer calf "	$0.60	
4th dairy cow grade	$1.25	
1st early horn carrots	$0.50	
3rd long blood beets	$0.30	
3rd intermediate carrots	$0.30	
3rd turnip beets	$0.30	
1st tomatoes	$0.60	
1st butter (packed)	$1.00	
1st butter (rolled)	$1.00	
	$6.85	$6.85

26 M" Geo Brien

1st draught horse	$2.00	
3rd heifer calf	$0.60	
3rd rough buckwheat	$0.30	
	$2.90	
1st specimen		
fancy knitting	$1.00	
	$3.90	$3.90
		$67.80

27 M" Cunningham Brien

1st bull (Ayrshire)	$2.10	
1st early rose potatoes	$0.50	
3rd tomatoes	$0.30	
	$2.90	
3rd walking horse	$1.40	
	$4.30	$4.30

28 M" J R McFarlane

3rd mare or gelding	$1.30	$1.30

31 M" Jos Porter

1st white flannel		
cotton & wool	$0.80	
1st jersey cotton & wool	$1.00	
1st driving mittens	$1.00	
2nd rag hearth rug	$0.75	
3rd knit skirt	$0.40	
	$3.95	$3.95

36 M" J L Flewelling

2nd dairy cow jersey	$1.50	
5th " " grade	$1.00	
	$2.50	$2.50

41 M" W H Merritt

2nd heifer 1year (jersey)	$0.80	$0.80

42 M" David Magee

1st Bull (jersey)	$2.10	
1st dairy cow "	$2.10	
1st heifer 2 yr	$1.50	
1st " 1 "	$1.00	
1st bull calf "	$1.00	
2nd " " "	$0.60	
1st heifer calf "	$1.00	
	$9.30	$9.30
		$89.95

43 M" D P Wetmore

1st walking horse	$2.00	
1st dairy cow 3 yr	$2.10	
1st " " 2 "	$1.50	
2nd " " "	$1.30	
1st white oats	$0.60	
3rd black oats	$0.30	
1st turnip beets	$0.50	
2nd tomatoes	$0.40	
1st butter (roll)	$1.00	
2nd collection		
fancy work	$1.50	
1st white leg horn fowls	$1.00	
1st plymouth rock "	$1.00	
2nd " " "	$0.80	
1st pair of any		
other fancy	$1.00	
	$15.00	$15.00

45 M" G Merritt

3rd dairy cow 3 yr	$1.50	
5th " " " "	$1.00	
	$2.50	$2.50

48 M" James Puddington

3rd heifer 2 yr	$1.20	
2nd heifer calf	$0.80	
2nd sow under 1 yr	$1.00	
	$3.00	$3.00

49 M" G C Williams

2nd brood mare	$1.70	
1st 2 pair mens socks	$0.50	
	$2.20	$2.20

51 M" Theo Holder

1 mare or gelding	$1.50	$1.50
		$114.15

54 M" John Day

2nd bull 1 yr	$0.90	
5th heifer 2 yr	$0.90	
	$1.80	$1.80

55 M" J H Flewelling

1st butter (packed)	$1.00	$1.00

57 M" M W Flewelling

1st heifer calf	$1.00	
2nd table apples	$0.75	
1st rag carpet	$1.20	
3rd common ducks	$0.30	
	$3.25	$3.25

60 M" Chas Foster

1st bull 1 yr (Devon)	$1.00	
1st dairy cow "	$2.10	
1st heifer 2 yr "	$1.50	
1st bull calf "	$1.00	
1st heifer " "	$1.00	
5th dairy cow 2 yr (grade)	$0.90	
2nd Heifer 2 yr	$0.90	
1st ram	$2.00	
2nd ewe	$1.00	
1st " 1 yr	$1.25	
2nd ram lamb	$1.00	
2nd kidney potatoes	$0.40	
1st butter (packed)	$1.00	
2nd woolen blankets	$0.80	
	$15.85	$15.85

61 Rev D G Wetmore

1st fret work	$0.75	$0.75
		$136.80

62 M" J H Flewelling

2nd beans	$0.40	$0.40

65 M" Robert Godfry

4th heifer 1 yr	$0.70	
1st steers 1 yr	$0.80	
2nd woolen drawers & shirt knit	$0.80	
1st coloured yarn	$0.60	
1st knitted skirt	$0.80	
2nd common geese	$0.40	
1st " ducks	$0.75	
	$4.85	$4.85

70 M" Jas E Fairweather

2nd bull 3 yr (ayrshire)	$1.50	
1st " 1 yr "	$1.00	
1st dairy cow "	$2.10	
1st heifer 2 yr "	$1.50	
2nd " " "	$1.20	
4th " " grade	$1.00	
1st working oxen	$2.00	
1st steer 3 yr	$1.20	
3rd ram	$1.00	
1st sow under 1 yr	$1.25	
3rd onions	$0.30	
1st collection fancy work	$2.00	
	$16.05	$16.05

71 M" A H Flewelling

2nd intermediate carrots	$0.40	
1st common turkey	$1.00	
	$1.40	$1.40
		159.50

72 M" G D Flewelling

2nd heifer 1 yr	$0.90	
1st kidney potatoes	$0.60	
2nd early rose potatoes	$0.40	
1st hebron "	$0.50	
	$2.40	$2.40

76 M" Wm Hazen

2nd draught horses	$1.70	
2nd bull 2 yr	$1.50	
2nd working oxen	$1.50	
	$4.70	$4.70

77 M" John Howe

1st wheat	$1.00	
3rd 1 doz ears corn	$0.30	
3rd kidney potatoes	$0.30	
1st long blood beets	$0.50	
3rd table potatoes	$0.50	
	$2.60	$2.60

78 M" Jas T Howe

2nd white oats	$0.40	
3rd woolen blanket	$0.60	
2nd 2 pairs men's mittens	$0.30	
	$1.30	$1.30

111 M" Chas R Howe

2nd 10 yds jersey cotton & wool	$0.80	
1st knit cloud or scarf	$1.00	
	$1.80	$1.80
		$172.30

79 M" C Allen Frost

1st Ladies wool stockings	$0.50	
3rd men's socks	$0.20	
1st point lace	$0.75	
3rd knitted lace	$0.30	
	$1.75	$1.75

80 M" John F Frost

2nd Mare or gelding 2 yr	$1.20	
2nd colt or filly 1 yr	$1.00	
1st sucking colt or filly	$1.10	
2nd walking horse	$1.70	
3rd mare or gelding 4 yr & over	$1.30	
2nd ram 1 yr	$1.00	
1st " lamb	$1.40	
3rd " "	$0.50	
1st ewe "	$1.25	
	$10.45	$10.45

81 M" Chas Dixon

1st braid work	$0.75	
1st knitted lace	$0.75	
2nd knit cloud or scarf	$0.60	
3rd other specimen fancy work	$0.40	
	$2.50	$2.50

83 Dr A Paddock

2nd bull calf	$0.80	
2nd butter (packed)	$0.75	
1st Berlin work	$0.75	
bead "	$0.50	
2nd point lace	$0.50	
	$3.30	$3.30
		$190.30

84 M" Shaloe Cosman

3rd squash	$0.30	$0.30

87 Jos A Evans

2nd kidney potatoes	$0.50	
2nd other specimen fancy knitting	$0.60	
2nd knitted skirt	$0.60	
	$1.70	$1.70

88 M" E P Fullerton

2nd pair fowls any other variety	$0.80	
2nd white leghorn	$0.80	
2nd butter (packed)	$0.75	
	$2.35	$2.35

91 M" Leonard Crawford

1st bull 3 yr	$2.10	
2nd grey buckwheat	$0.40	

2nd squash	$0.40	
2nd butter (packed)	$0.75	
1st white yarn	$0.60	
	$4.25	$4.25

92 M" J B Flewelling

3rd bull 1 yr	$0.90	
1st steers 4 yr	$1.50	
	$2.40	$2.40

93 M" Chas I Smith

2nd butter (packed)	$0.75	
3rd yarn carpet	$0.75	
1st woolen blanket	$1.00	
	$2.50	$2.50
		$203.80

98 Miss J Thompson

1st men's mittens	$0.50	
1st rag hearth rug	$0.90	
3rd patchwork quilt	$0.60	
	$2.00	$2.00

99 M" F W Flewelling

5th heifer 1 yr	$0.60	
3rd pumpkins	$0.30	
	$0.90	$0.90

100 M" William Maynes

1st butter (packed)	$1.00	
1st " (rolled)	$1.00	
	$2.00	$2.00

101 Miss M A Wetmore

2nd Berlin work	$0.50	$0.50

102 M" Chas A Belyea

1st mare or gelding 2 yr	$1.30	
3rd collection fancy work not named	$1.00	
	$2.30	$2.30

114 M" Robert Gilliland

2nd steers 1 yr	$0.60	$0.60
		$212.10

112 M" Justus Pickett

1st butter (packed)	$1.00	
1st " (rolled)	$1.00	
2nd white flannel cotton & wool	$0.60	
1st drawers & shirt knit	$1.00	
2nd woolen stockings	$0.30	
3rd jersey cotton & wool	$0.60	
2nd 2 pair men's socks	$0.30	
3rd " " mittens	$0.30	
1st 2 pair woolen gloves	$0.50	
1st " " ladies mitts	$0.50	
2nd 1 lb white yarn	$0.40	
	$6.50	$6.50

113 M" Geo H Kierstead

1st heifer 2 yr	$1.50	
4th " calf	$0.50	
1st black oats	$0.60	
	$2.60	$2.60

116 M" E S Northrop

2nd black oats	$0.60	
1st rough buckwheat	$0.60	
2nd butter	$0.75	
2nd yarn carpet	$1.00	
1st cone work	$0.75	
2nd common turkey	$0.80	
	$4.50	$4.50

123 M" E D B Wetmore

1st heifer 1 yr	$1.00	$1.00
		$226.70

124 M" T E Flewelling

4th dairy cow	$1.25	
1st ewe	$1.25	
1st butter (roll)	$1.00	
1st bead work	$0.75	
3rd knit cloud or scarf	$0.40	
	$4.65	$4.65

125 M" Geo T Kierstead		
2nd wheat	$0.80	
1st grass seed	$1.00	
2nd 1 doz ears corn	$0.40	
1st beans	$0.60	
	$2.80	$2.80

131 M" Joseph Kennedy		
1st patchwork quilt	$1.00	
2nd common ducks	$0.40	
	$1.40	$1.40
133 M" James Bradley		
1st bull 2 yr Ayrshire		
	$2.10	$2.10
		$237.65

At a meeting of the Union Agricultural Society held at Clifton Oct 31st 1885.
Directors meeting open in due form by President. When the following Bills were passed:

Rev D I Wetmore bill for printing	$4.10
G H Flewelling " work exhibition ground	4.00
T E Flewelling " herding cattle	1.00
W E Pickett Sec. Tres. salary &c	21.00
Sewing Circle Judges dinner	13.00
Cun. Brien keeping bull	15.00
R W Wetmore keeping bull	15.00

Communications read from Jas E Fairweather Esq. asking for nomination to Board of Agriculture.

Also a communication from St. John Agricultural Society in regard to importation of horses.

Some remarks from the President in relation to purchasing some boar pigs and agricultural implements. Discussion following in regard to purchase of Ayrshire Bull (Rothesay Chief) at stock farm sale. Moved and seconded that the bull (Rothesay Chief) purchased at stock farm sale be accepted. Cost $85.

Carried

The following bills passed:

Rev D I Wetmore printing poster	$1.00
John Hill bill driving bulls	4.50
John Hill " keeping bull 1 yr	75.00

General meeting. List of subscribers, opened for new Society when the following persons became members.

Subscription for 1886

1	Eli S Northrop	$1.00
2	Pjilo A Northrop	$1.00
3	D D Northrop	$1.00
4	W E Pickett	$1.00
5	John McCann	$1.00
6	Justus Pickett	$1.00
7	Chas Foster	$1.00
8	David Magee	$1.00
9	John F Frost	$1.00
10	W P Pugsley MPP	$1.00
11	Jas E Fairweather	$1.00
12	John O Dann	$1.00
13	E H Merritt	$1.00
14	G Merritt	$1.00
15	W H Merritt	$1.00
16	J F Merritt	$1.00
17	Wm Cronk	$1.00
18	J S Wetmore	$1.00
19	J E Wetmore	$1.00
20	J Lee Flewelling	$1.00
21	Wm Dann	$1.00
22	Wm Kierstead	$1.00
23	M W Flewelling	$1.00
24	C D Fairweather	$1.00
25	Geo Chaloner	$1.00
26	Geo L Taylor Dr.	$1.00
27	H D Wetmore	$1.00
28	D I Wetmore	$1.00
29	Jos Porter	$1.00
30	Jos H Gorham	$1.00
31	Jos Kennedy	$1.00
32	T E Flewelling	$1.00
33	J R McFarlane	$1.00
34	N E Gorham	$1.00
36	C Albert Belyea	$1.00
37	Thea Holder	$1.00
38	Geo Brien	$1.00
39	Cunningham Brien	$1.00
40	C W A Puddington	$1.00
41	Stephen P Wetmore	$1.00
42	Jos A Evans	$1.00
43	G H Flewelling MPP	$1.00
44	A H Flewelling	$1.00
45	O M Flewelling	$1.00
46	A P Wetmore	$1.00
47	James Puddington	$1.00
48	Edwin Chaloner	$1.00
49	John Hill	$1.00
50	Sam Linton	$1.00
51	K W Wetmore	$1.00
52	D P Wetmore	$15.00
53	John W Chaloner	$1.00
54	Chas Piers	$1.00
55	Howard Dann	$1.00
56	James Domville	$1.00
57	Chas Scribner	$1.00
58	Robert Godfrey	$1.00
59	J B Flewelling	$1.00
60	Henry Redmore	$1.00
61	Wm Hazlett jr	$1.00
62	W J Giggy	$1.00
63	David W Long	$1.00
64	O W Wetmore	$1.00
65	John McFarlane	$1.00
66	Jacob Cosman	$1.00
67	R J Flewelling	$1.00
68	Robert Gilliland	$1.00
69	John Day	$1.00
70xx [crossed out]		
71	W A Pitt	$1.00
72	E P Fullerton	$1.00
73	W N Chetley	$1.00
74xx [crossed out]		
75	Gilbert Williams	$1.00
76	James Darrah	$1.00
77	R C Williams	$1.00
78	A C Fairweather	$1.00
79	Dan McDougall	$1.00
80	John Harrison	$1.00
81	D J Buckley	$1.00
82	W F Flewelling	$1.00
83	Ed Waddell	$1.00
84	Wm Walton	$1.00
85	Edward Piers	$1.00
86	Geo W Bruce	$1.00

87	Leo Crawford	$1.00	95	John D Brien	$1.00
88	John Wheton	$1.00	96	M M Long	$1.00
89	Sam Scribner	$1.00	97	Geo Kierstead	$1.00
90	Smith Pickett	$1.00	98	W Berton Flewelling	$1.00
91	Albert Hoyt	$1.00	99xx	[crossed out]	
92	Henry Ganong	$1.00	100	David Miller	$1.00
93	John Day	$1.00	101	Wellington Cronk	$1.00
94	Edward Waddell	$1.00	102	Alex Catheline	$1.00

Annual Meeting Oct 31st 1885 continued.
The following persons were elected officers for the ensuring year:

D P Wetmore
Jos H Gorham
E H Merritt
R W Wetmore
C Brien
H D Wetmore
Jas Puddington
John Hill
N E Gorham
J W Chaloner
C D Fairweather
G H Flewelling
Justus S Wetmore
C W A Puddington
D D Northrup

further election: D P Wetmore . President
C D Fairweather 1st VP
Jos H Gorham 2nd VP
W E Pickett. Secretary Treasurer

Moved and seconded that no exhibition be held the coming year.
Carried unanimously
Jas E Fairweather unanimously nominated as a member of the Board of Agriculture

Moved. seconded and resolved that: – The bull (Rothesay Chief) be offered for sale at an upset price of $15. dollars and if sold shall be kept within the bounds of this Society for 2 years. and that his services be available to members of the Society at .25 for service and to those not members the sum of $1.00

Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to procure Boar Pigs from (lunatic) Asylum
Carried

The bull (Rothesay Chief) was sold to O W Wetmore by auction for the sum of $15.00 on above condition

After a long discussion in regard to purchasing Bulls the following resolution was moved by R E Wetmore and seconded.

Resolved: That this Society recognizes the propriety of encouraging thorough bred meat cattle by giving a premium on registered Bulls for actual service done, and that as soon as it's funds will permit, will endeavor to establish a system for that purpose in the following manner.

For one year from_____this Society will pay to members who are owners or keepers of Registered Bulls 75 cents for each service rendered to cows owned by members but not by themselves under the following conditions:

1. The Bulls must be registered in the N.B.H.B.
2. A certificate of the services rendered from members having cows serviced, and also of the payment of a sum not less than 25 cents for each service must be handed in to the secretary, by the owner or keeper of the respective bulls at the end of the year, when if the statements are all correct, the premium shall be paid.
3. The certificate shall be made out on a blank form furnished by the Secretary to members and in the following manner.

I hereby certify that the Breed Bull __name_____no. NBHB
has serviced_number_cows for me within the year commencing
from_____ for which services I have paid
$_____name_____

_____signature_____

Date_____ .

The above resolution laid over for a future meeting.

Moved and seconded

That a committee be appointed to make inquiries as to agricultural implements and report at some future meeting of Society. Carried

E H Merritt, D D Northrup and D P Wetmore, Pres. appointed such committee

Moved and seconded and resolved

That: – This Society concern in resolutions passed by St John Agricultural Society August 27th last relating to importation of horses and Secretary notify them of such resolution.

On motion meeting adjourned

W E Pickett, Secretary

Nov. 12th 1885
Committee ordered to procure Boars Carried out that duty, and the pigs were advertised for sale this day 2 o'clock P.M. Informed meeting of Directors before sale decided on, condition of sale Boars to be kept until 8th June next available to members for the sum of .50 cents each service, to those not members not less than $1.00. One to be located in Upper Kingston the other in Lower Kingston. Terms 3 months notes with interest and approved security. Sale as follows: J O Dann Esq first choice for the sum of $10.00 The other to J R McFarland for the sum of $5.50

The following bills were paid.

To Lunatic Asylum' Asylin Boar Pigs	$28.00
" W F Flewelling hauling pigs making boxes	3.65
" R J Flewelling selling pigs & bull	1.00

W E Pickett, Secr

[Note at the top of the page reads:]

When I took over this book from the Secretary I received from him $31.03 in cash . . . [A piece of paper has been glued on at this point, and the writing is illegible] . . . subscriptions = 42.03

[The book continues as the 1885 account book.]

1885		**Accounts**		
Dec	1st	paid bill for stove pipe for Hall	1	$0.70
1886				
Jan	9th	" premium insurance on Hall for 3 years	2	$10.00
Feb	3rd	" Myles H Fowler Ayrshire Bull expenses	3	$42.00
Oct	23	" secretary salary, postage, stationary	4	$16.57
		(I kept ? [?] from this)		$69.27
Feb	2	" D D Northrop repairing stoves in Hall	5	$1.50
"	16	" John Hill keeping bull 6 days	6	$1.50
Nov	28	" Tippett-Burditt & Co for implements per invoice	7	$219.00
May	28	" Canada Chemical Manure Co, Rothesay per invoice manure	8	$47.95
Aug	22	" C K Peters for heavy seed per invoice	9	$110.39
Oct	22	" C K Peters for heavy seed yield per invoice	10	$103.92
Sept	2	" note given Myles H Fowler for bull note 38.00 int. 1.14	11	$39.14
Oct	28	" bill for printing notices ann. meeting & members tickets	12	$1.20
	"	30 " bill for boar pig purchase from Frederic Pace	13	$8.50
"	30	" for boar pig " from Mr Fox	14	$8.00
"	30	" R J Flewelling auctioneer for selling boar pig &c	15	$1.00
"	"	Jardine & Co for superphosphate of lime per invoice	16	$279.35
Nov	15	" freight on superphosphate 8.48, implements 2.40, heavy seed 1.00	17	$20.88
"	"	" paid for Ayrshire Bull from S Belding	18	$35.00
Oct	30	" S Foster's bill for oil for Hall	19	$1.34
"	"	" for ayrshire bull Rothesay Chief purchase at stock farm	20	$85.00
Nov	13	" for printed forms for caretakers and implements	21	$1.00
Nov	27	" paid postage & stationary to date	22	$1.56
"	27	" R J Flewelling auctioneer for ayrshire bull &c	23	$1.00
				$157.21
Nov	29	to Balance on hand		$157.21
				$193.71
Dec	31	Paid for boar pig to David Jones	1	$11.00
1887				
Jan	5	Paid expenses keeping boar pig	2	$1.75
"	20	Paid J W Sherwood & Co for seed cutter & farming mill	3	$28.50
				$41.25

1885		**Account to balance on hand**		$69.80
Dec	31	rec. from J O Dann amt. due on boar pig		$10.00
April				
1886	8	rec the amt of J J McFarlane's note for pig 5.50 int. .12		$5.62
	"	" from D P Wetmore in payment for Ayrshire Bull		$15.00
	"	the above sums paid in at this date were received after the treasurer was sick by J Pickett & deposited in the treasurer's cash box		
	8	received for 8 bags sold		$1.68
Sept	24	received of N E Gorham for bull sold him Sept 11th		$18.00
Oct	29	received the amount of John Morrell's note for 40.00 int. 2.00		$42.00
		" received on account buckwheat sold last year R C Williams 2.82 Stephen Cronk .81		$3.63
July		received Province grant 210.00		$210.00
Oct		received from John Chaloner on acct. of bull Rob Roy		$10.04
		[2 more entries scratched out]		
Oct		received from sale of Rothesay Chemical Manures		$43.16
		received from sale of implements as follows: Little hern plough 9.00, 2 clipper ploughs 27.15, 2 daisy churns 14.15	$50.30	
		corbin harrow 25.25, 2 side hill ploughs 21.00 horse rake 23.00	$69.25	
Nov	27	daisy churn 6.65	$6.65	$126.20
Nov	27	received from John Chaloner bal on bull Rob Roy		$10.46
		received from hire of implements		$4.64
		received for superphosphate sold 7 tons & 133 lbs	$284.89	
		less unpaid amount & held in notes 21.80 31.92	$53.72	$231.17
		received for 10 tons heavy seed sold		$224.31
		received subscriptions & donations		$168.00
				$1,193.71
Nov	27	balance on hand		$157.21
Nov	27	by cash received for Wm Merritt note		$5.32
				$162.53

[note pasted at the top of the page]

Amounts standing in due bills

D P W	88.00	
C D F	15.14	
H Redmore	2.00	
J W Chaloner	23.70	
E S Northrop	10.90	
R Godfrey	3.21	
Beaton Flewelling	3.21	
J B Flewelling	5.35	
151.51		
Nov 29 1886		
due from W E Pickett		4.00
on last years [?]		155.51

At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society, held at the Hall Kingston Jan 30th 1886

Present:D P Wetmore, President
C D Fairweather, 1 VP
J H Gorham, 2 VP
D D Northrup
J W Chaloner
Jas Puddington
W E Pickett Secretary
C W A Puddington
John Hill
N E Gorham
G H Fairweather Esq

Appreciation from knitting circle to have use of Hall free for entertainment
No action taken

Moved and seconded that Mr Hill take charge of Hall for one year under rules laid down by Society, excepting that he is not supposed to attend to the lamps.
Carried

Question of stock taken up. Moved and sec. that a comm. be appointed to ascertain if an Ayrshire Bull can be purchased reasonable rate and if so to purchase.
Carried

Moved and sec. that N E Gorham Esq be such comm. Carried

Moved and sec. that if in M" Gorham's travels he should find that two bulls could be advantageously purchased that he should communicate with the President and Secretary & that they together should have power to purchase.
Carried

Agricultural implements Moved and sec. that two side hill plows be purchased to be placed one in upper and one in lower end of district to be let to members of Society under conditions to be named.

Moved and sec. that one of the horse hoes and one of the Planet Junior horse hoe be purchased for use of members of this Society.

Carried

According to the Farmer's Advocate advertisement, "the new Planet Jr hollow steel standard horse hoe, has no equal in the world". There is one in the collection of the John Fisher Memorial Museum. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Potato planter. "If ordinary care is used in sorting the seed so as to have them nearly one size and not too small, the machine will plant them almost perfect." Or so the literature said! (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Moved and Sec. that a committee be appointed to inquire as to desirability of purchasing a potato planter.

Carried

Moved. President appointed such comm. and see that a comm. be appointed to inquire into cost &c of chemical manure.

Carried

President appointing comm.

On motion to adjourn W E Pickett, Secr.

1886 Feb 9th Committee appointed at last meeting of Directors to purchase an Ayrshire Bull (N E Gorham Esq.) attended to that duty and purchased the Bull Rob Roy, Mcgregor No 232 NBHB from Myles H Fowler Esq. for the sum of $40.00, expenses to Kingston $2.00. Bull was advertised for sale this day at Kingston. And was sold to John W Chaloner for the sum of $20.50 to be kept within the limits of the Society until August 1887 available to members at .25 cents each service to others not less than .50 cents. It was decided to purchase another Ayrshire Bull Muldoon #226 NBNB for $38.00. He was sold to N E Gorham for the sum of $18 to be kept for one year on same condition as the other. The bull was delivered here by M" Fowler Feb 10th and taken by M" Gorham on the 11th.

Society's note given to Myles H Fowler for $38 payable in six months

W E Pickett

Meeting of the Union Agricultural Society held at Clifton May 1st 1886

Members present.D P Wetmore, President

R W Wetmore

C W Wetmore Justus Wetmore

C W A Puddington C D Fairweather

Minutes of last meeting read and approved:

Moved and sec. that the side hill ploughs ordered to be purchased at the last meeting, one be placed at C W A Puddington's the other at J W Chaloner's for the use of members. Carried

Moved and sec. that the charge to members be 10 cents per day until returned.

Carried

Moved and sec. that a Diamond Point Cultivator be purchased.

Carried

Moved and sec. that the charge to members for use of cultivator and Horse Hoe be 10 cents per day.

Carried

Moved and sec. that the D P Cultivator be placed in charge of J W Chaloner and the Planet Jr. in charge of C W A Puddington for the use of members.

Carried

Moved and sec. that the Horse Hoe be placed in charge of Justus S Wetmore.

Carried

Moved and sec. that the Society purchase two tons of Reeds superphosphate from Jardine & Co

Carried

Moved and sec. that the President be authorized to give orders for agricultural implements, chemical manure &c to members on their giving satisfactory security.

Carried

Moved and carried that the meeting adjourn. C D Fairweather, sec. per time

Kingston Oct 30th 1886

Meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society at 9:30 A.M. one and one half hours before the general annual meeting for the closing business of the year.

Directors present:	D P Wetmore, Pres.	W W Wetmore
	Justus Wetmore	C W A Puddington
	D D Northrup	N E Gorham
	J W Chaloner	C D Fairweather
	Jos H Gorham (late)	Cunningham Brien
	John Hill	James W Puddington

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved that action of the President in the purchase of additional implements & placing in charge of Justus S Wetmore, E P Fullerton and D P Wetmore be confirmed.

Carried

The implements purchased were one side hill plow (one horse) placed in charge of J S Wetmore, one Planet jr. cultivator placed in charge of E P Fullerton & one Planet jr. cultivator placed in charge of D P Wetmore.

Moved that the action of the President in purchasing two boar pigs to be sold at this meeting be confirmed. Carried

(the two boar pigs were purchased for $16.50)

Moved that M" Hill's report on rent of the Hall be accepted. Carried

Rents received $5.50 less expenses $2.50 net $3.00

Resolved that John Hill's bill of $1.50 for keep of bull last year be paid.

Moved that the action of the President in purchasing additional superphosphate for use of Society last summer to be sold at cost & charges as confirmed. Carried

Moved that the action of the President in purchasing 10 tons of heavy feed to be sold at costs & charges to members be confirmed. Carried

The purchases by the President of Implements, superphosphate & heavy feed & boar pigs referred to above & confirmed were made at the request of a number of Directors without calling a regular meeting of directors in order to save the expense of such meeting.

Moved that Samuel Foster's bill for oil for the use at the Hall be paid.
Carried amount of bill $1.34

Moved that James E Fairweather be nominated as a member of the Board of Agriculture for district #2 by this Society for the ensuring year.
Carried unanimously

John W Chaloner reported the Diamond Point Cultivator purchased last summer was changed for a Planet jr. afterwards because when the members saw the planet Jr. it was thought to be the best cultivator.

The implements now owned by the Society & placed at different points for the use of members on hire are as follows: –

Implements	**by whom kept**	**rent per day**	**cost of**
1 Syracuse side hill plough	J W Chaloner	$ .10	$13.15
1 " " " "	C W A Puddington	.10	13.15
1 " " " "	J S Wetmore	.10	9.15
1 planet jr. cultivator	J W Chaloner	.10	10.65
1 " " "	D P Wetmore	.10	10.65
roller cover & masker for do	D P Wetmore		8.50
1 " " "	C W A Puddington	.10	10.65
1 " " "	E P Fullerton	.10	10.65
1 two horse hoe	J S Wetmore	.10	7.15
		total cost	93.70

Reports of those having charge of Implements.

J W Chaloner	received for use of	cultivator	.82,	for use of	plough	1.55		total	2.37
C W A Puddington	" " " "	cultivator	.06,	" " "	plough	.95		"	1.01
J S Wetmore	" " "	horse hoe	.00,	" " "	plough	.30		"	.30
D P Wetmore	" "	cultivator	.66,					"	.60
E P Fullerton	" "	cultivator	.00						.00
									$4.34

E P Fullerton reported that he had received the cultivator so late that it had been let very little & that there was a little due on it but he had not received it yet. The member who had it before he did (Walker Long) had made him no return & at present was away from home. The amount of $4.34 was paid into the Society by the members who had charge of the implements.

The president reported that he had purchased 10652 lbs of the **Reeds superphosphate** at $38.00 per ton and 3481 lbs of the cumberland superphosphate at $42.50 per ton for a cost of $279.34 all of which had been sold to the members at cost & charges. The President also reported that he had purchased 10 tons & 20 lbs of the heavy feed from C H Peters, 5 tons & 20 lbs for 93.59 including expenses & 5 tons for 103.92 including expenses. All of which was sold to members at cost & charges. The boar pigs sold at auction on six months time with approved security to the following persons. Chas Piers one at $11.25 Ed Peters one at $7.00

General meeting opened at 11 A.M. when the following persons became members.

1886					
1	C D Fairweather	$1.00	17	Albert Hoyt	$1.00
2	Samuel Scribner	$1.00	18	Wm Robinson	$1.00
3	Samuel Piers	$1.00	19	John Gilliland	$1.00
4	J W Chaloner	$1.00	20	Dr. Taylor	$1.00
5	Henry Ganong	$1.00	21	Sandal Lamb	$1.00
6	Gen. Erb	$1.00	22	Edward Piers	$1.00
7	Gen G Earle	$1.00	23	W L Nutter	$1.00
8	Warren Erb	$1.00	24	Wesley Nutter	$1.00
9	Henry Perkins	$1.00	25	Nathanael Urquart	$1.00
10	Geo Ganong	$1.00	26	D P Wetmore	$25.00
11	Hezekiah Scribner	$1.00	27	R W Wetmore	$1.00
12	Wm Earle	$1.00	28	J S Wetmore	$1.00
13	Alonzo Mabee	$1.00	29	N D Wetmore	$1.00
14	Albert Perkins	$1.00	30	John Day	$1.00
15	John Piers	$1.00	31	Jas E Wetmore	$1.00
16	Howard Piers	$1.00	32	Rev D I Wetmore	$1.00
			33	A H Flewelling	$1.00

34	J Edwin Chaloner	$1.00
35	O W Wetmore	$1.00
36	E Waddell	$1.00
37	D Buckley	$1.00
38	W A Pitt	$1.00
39	W Berton Flewelling	$1.00
40	R J Flewelling	$1.00
41	W W Flewelling	$1.00
42	O M Flewelling	$1.00
43	W Fred Flewelling	$1.00
44	C Albert Belyea	$1.00
45	Joseph Evans	$1.00
46	Norman Puddington	$1.00
47	C W A Puddington	$1.00
48	Geo Brien	$1.00
49	Cunningham Brien	$1.00
50	E H Merritt	$1.00
51	Charles Scribner	$1.00
52	John Nutter	$1.00
53	Wm Thompson	$1.00
54	Wm Hazen	$1.00
55	John O Dann	$1.00
56	Chas Piers	$1.00
57	Wm Dann	$1.00
58	Wm Pickett	$1.00
59	Robt Sheldrick	$1.00
60	Jacob Cosman	$1.00
61	James Kenny	$1.00
62	Smith Pickett	$1.00
63	James Dann	$1.00
64	P A Northrop	$1.00
65	Jas H Flewelling	$1.00
66	John McAlary	$1.00
67	Richard Coffee	$1.00
68	John Gilliland	$1.00
69	Jas Bradley	$1.00
70	Stephen Crawford	$1.00
71	Leonard Crawford	$1.00
72	Jas A Kierstead	$1.00
73	Geo Kierstead	$1.00
74	Justus Pickett	$1.00
75	D D Northrup	$1.00
76	Jas L Flewelling	$1.00
77	J B Flewelling	$1.00
78	John Logue	$1.00
79	Geo Chaloner	$1.00
80	Robt Godfrey	$1.00
81	John Hill	$1.00
82	Edwin Peters	$1.00
83	Jos H Gorham	$1.00
84	Charles Foster	$1.00
85	John R Merritt	$1.00
86	Charles Prince	$1.00
87	Hedley Dixon	$1.00
88	Robt Harrity	$1.00
89	John Harrison	$1.00
90	G Merritt	$1.00
91	John D Brien	$1.00
92	James I Brien	$1.00
93	Sam. I Kingston	$1.00
94	Wm Haslett jr	$1.00
95	Benj. W Parker	$1.00
96	J S Edwards	$1.00
97	Chas White	$1.00
98	Henry Redmore	$1.00
99	W J Giggy	$1.00
100	Barnard Dunn	$1.00
101	Jas McFarland	$1.00
102	Jos R McFarland	$1.00
103	John J McFarland	$1.00
104	Wm Magaw	$1.00
105	John Watson	$1.00
106	David J Long	$1.00
107	Albert Miller	$1.00
108	Wm Walton	$1.00
109	D Walker Long	$1.00
110	James Roper	$1.00
111	Wm A Long	$1.00
112	Jas R White	$1.00
113	Albert B White	$1.00
114	Jas Darrah	$1.00
115	Alex Catheline	$1.00
116	David Miller	$1.00
117	E P Fullerton	$1.00
118	W N Chetley	$1.00
119	Jas W Puddington	$1.00

120	Geo Kingston	$1.00
121	Gilbert C Williams	$1.00
122	John McCarion	$1.00
123	Jas Williams	$1.00
124	N E Gorham	$1.00
125	John Frost	$1.00
126	Charles Dixon	$1.00
127	J E Fairweather	$1.00
128	R C Williams	$1.00
129	Willet A Williams	$1.00
130	Chas A Porter	$1.00
131	Danl McDougall	$1.00
132	Ernest Whelpley	$1.00
133	Baynard Williams	$1.00
134	A B Holder	$1.00
135	Wellington Cronk	$1.00
136	Jas A White	$1.00
137	E S Northrup	$1.00
138	David Jones	$1.00
139	Elijah Kilpatrick	$1.00
140	Albert McLeery	$1.00
141	Arthur Dixon	$1.00
142	Albert Langstroth	$1.00
143	Robert Langstroth	$1.00
144	Samuel Prince	$1.00
145	John Rogers	$1.00
146	Justus Pickett	$1.00
147	James Currie	$1.00
148	James Scribner	$1.00
149	John A White	$1.00
150	G N Flewelling	$1.00
151	Chas W Nichols	$1.00
152	J T Lyon	$1.00
153	Geo Pettingell	$1.00
154	J Albert Seely	$1.00
155	Reuben E Lyon	$1.00
156	Ezra S Bradley	$1.00
157	Geo M Holder	$1.00
158	Benj. G Henderson	$1.00
159	Aaron Kimabll	$1.00
160	Forest Williams	$1.00
161	[scratched out]	
162	Theodore Holder	$1.00
163	William Cronk	$1.00
164	A P Wetmore	$1.00
165	Hon G E Foster	$1.00
166	Lieut. Col Domville	$1.00
167	S Z Dickson	$1.00
168	Samuel Erb	$1.00
169	Jesse Jones	$1.00
170	Miles G Jenkins	$1.00
171	Justus H Grey	$1.00
172	John Whiting	$1.00
173	David Magee	$1.00
174	Charles Bruce	$1.00

Directors were elected as follows:

D P Wetmore (100 votes)	R W Wetmore (96 votes)
E H Merritt (95 votes)	Cunningham Brien (88)
Henry Redmore (86)	James I Brien (98)
J W Puddington (50)	E P Fullerton (93)
Albert White (86)	E Gorham (99)
Wm Hazen (88)	John Hill (100)
D D Northrup (49)	John Chaloner (91)
C D Fairweather (95)	Robert Godfrey (66)
Lee Nutter (86)	Chas Scribner (56)
Edwin Peters (91)	J B Flewelling (85)

On motion resolved that the Society hold a Sociable at Clifton during the coming year President & secr. be a committee to arrange a time &c for Sociable.

On motion resolved that there be no exhibition this coming year.

C D Fairweather was elected President
Edwin Peters 1st Vice President
R W Wetmore 2nd Vice President
D P Wetmore Secretary Treasurer

Resolved that a fanning mill be purchased and placed in the lower Midland district on hire to the members.

Fanning mill, as advertised in the Farmer's Advocate of 1885: "with a capacity of 80-90 bushels per hour, each mill for separating oats from grain does a thoroughly first class job that any farmer or grain dealer will be pleased with." (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Resolved unanimously that thanks of this Society be tendered to our late secretary Wm E Pickett for his faithful services while secretary of this society and that the Society deeply sympathizes with him in his affliction trusting that he may soon be restored to his late good health.

Resolved that the meeting adjourn D P Wetmore Sec.

Clifton Nov 13 1886
At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society in Clifton Hall called by the President for general business the following Directors were present:

C D Fairweather, President
D P Wetmore, sec. tres.
J W Chaloner
P Fullerton
Henry Redmore
Cunningham Brien
R Wetmore, Vice President
D D Northrup
John Hill
J B Flewelling
James J Brien

The President stated that a bull was asked for by a certain section of the Society & on account of this & some other matters he had called the meeting.

Received from E P Fullerton .30 cents, here received for the cultivator in his charge.

On motion resolved that the Society purchase a thoroughbred Ayrshire Bull if one can be found at a reasonable rate.

Resolved that if one can be purchased, the president be authorized to have it sold at auction to be kept in the limits of the Society. On motion resolved that a boar pig be purchased & sold to be kept in the limits of the Society, this is if a pig can be found at a reasonable rate (sale to take place at J B Flewellings)

A petition from Clifton was presented asking that a fanning mill be provided for the use of the members at Clifton & vicinity on hire. (petition signed by 14 members). Res. that the [?] of the petition be complied with.

Res. that a cultivator be placed on Long Island for hire by members.

On motion resolved that a Hay Cutter be purchased to be placed in the upper end of the territory of the Society

Moved and seconded that a hay cutter be placed at Moss Glen.

On motion resolved that Rev D I Wetmore bill for printing form of agreement for members having charge of implements be paid. Amount of bill $1.00

Resolved that the President and Secretary be a committee to take into consideration the purchasing of implements by the Society, and arrange to procure and place the same as near as may be to suit the wants of the members in proportion to the state of the funds of the Society, and the number and claims of the members in the several sections, desiring the same.

Resolved that the secr. & J W Chaloner be a committee to purchase the Ayrshire bull & boar pig.

Resolved that the secr. be authorized to arrange rates on implements & to have printed a list of these changes with conditions of care required to be given the implements, for distribution amongst the members.

Resolved that the president & secretary be a committee to carry out the Sociable with power to add to their [?]

Resolved that the Hay Cutter for the upper district be placed in charge of J M Chaloner

On motion meeting adjourned D P Wetmore secr.

Account of Property belonging to the Union Agricultural Society Nov 27 1886

Description of Property		cost price	present value including expenses
Agricultural Hall		200.00	$500.00
N E Gorham note (fertilizer)	(pd)		16.60
James Ganong & Philip Dann's note	(pd)		6.00
E Kilpatrick's note (fertilizer)			6.00
Edwin Peter's note (boar)	(pd)		7.00
Wm Haslett's note (fertilizer)	(pd)		5.32
Chas Piers (boar pig)	(pd)		11.25
2 Syracuse side hill ploughs #16	(1 sold)	26.30	26.00
1 " " #26	(sold)	9.15	9.00
4 planet jr. cultivators	(4 sold)	1.10	51.10
1 two horse hoe	(sold)	7.15	7.15
balance due on superphosphate note in notes			21.80
Smith Pickett's unmatured note (phosphate)			4.00

Meeting of Directors of the Union Agricultural Society at D P Wetmore's office Clifton on Feb. 8th 1887

Present: C D Fairweather, president — R W Wetmore Vice Pres
D P Wetmore secr. — J W Chaloner
W Lee Nutter — Jas W Puddington
Chas Scribner — D D Northrup
Albert White — E P Fullerton

Minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed.

J W Chaloner reported that the comm. purchased a thoroughbred Ayrshire Bull off S J Belding & that it sold at auction for $16.00

D P Wetmore from same comm. reported that a boar pig had been purchased & was sold at auction for $6.00 to be kept in the limits of society.

D P Wetmore as committee for the purchase of Makes Manure reported fully as to cost of raw material & the manufactured manure.

On motion res. that 5 tons of Reed's superphosphate be purchased & sold at public auction in the spring. Also resolved that one ton of Cumberland superphosphate be purchased & sold [?]

On motion resolved that 2 tons of Makes Manure & 2 tons of raw material to make similar manure be purchased.

The President appointed the secr. a committee to purchase said manure.

D P Wetmore secr.

The Directors held a Farmer's Social on this evening in the Hall at Clifton. The night proved stormy (snow & rain) but the Hall was filled there being upwards of 200 people present who passed a very enjoyable evening. Speeches were made by the Pres. S E Frost, R W Wetmore, Col Domville D P Wetmore & others & the choir enlivened the evening by song &c D P W

Meeting of Directors of the Union Agricultural Society in the Hall at Kingston on Mar. 26th 1887.

Present: C D Fairweather, Pres	Edwin Peters, Vice Pres.
D P Wetmore, secr.	D D Northrup
Chas Scribner	John Chaloner
W Lee Flewelling	Wm Hazen
Henry Redmore	N E Gorham
Robert Godfrey	John Hill

D P Wetmore committee for purchase of fertilizer report on same when it was resolved to make the upset price ? of the cost & charges

other directors present R Wetmore, Jas W Puddington

Moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to attend the sale of Government horses at F'ton on the 30th inst. & there to consult with delegates from the other Societies in No 2 with a view to the purchase of horses in service in the agriculture district No 2 Carried

On motion resolved that the sense of the members present on kind of horse desirable be taken. On being taken it stood as follows: Cleveland 25, Clydesdale 1, Morgans 4, Percheron 5, others nothing... 33 votes cast.

D P Wetmore & Albert Belyea appointed a committee to attend sale & purchase if found desirable.

On motion res. that the Secr. be authorized to get 500 lbs of the grain & grass makes manure to sell later.

D P Wetmore

After the meeting of the directors a sale of fertilizer took place at auction, resulting as follows:

(the fertilizers were sold to arrive the parties purchasing to pay the freight from St John, except on unmixed Makes Manures)

Fertilizers sold at auction at Kingston March 1887

1887	purchaser's name	bbl	Reid's	superphosphate	price	per 100 lb
	C D Fairweather	1	"	"	$1.68	"
	Jos H Gorham	1	"	"	$1.69	"
	Chas Piers	1	"	"	$1.68	"
	Albert Hoyt	1	"	"	$1.68	"
	N E Gorham	3	"	"	$1.69	"
	John Day	1	"	"	$1.68	"
	Chas Dixon	1	"	"	$1.62	"
	Samuel Piers	2	"	"	$1.62	"
	G Merritt	1	"	"	$1.70	"
	Lee Nutter	1	"	"	$1.70	"
	Eli S Northrup	1	"	"	$1.70	"
	Edwin Peters	5	"	"	$1.64	"
	Nathaniel Urquart	2	"	"	$1.70	"
	Samuel Prince	2	"	"	$1.76	"
	Hezekiah Scribner	2	"	"	$1.73	"
	C W A Puddington	2	"	"	$1.75	"
	John Nutter	6	"	"	$1.75	"
	John White	1	"	"	$1.75	"
	Albert Belyea	2	"	"	$1.75	"
	W H Chetley	2	"	"	$1.74	"
	Jas E Wetmore	1	"	"	$1.75	"
	Howard D Wetmore	1	"	"	$1.71	"
	Wm Long	1	"	"	$1.70	"
	D P Wetmore	3	"	"	$1.69	"
	Warren Erb	1	"	"	$1.73	"
	Chas Scribner	2	"	"	$1.67	"
	Wm Hazen	1	"	"	$1.70	"
	C Foster	1	"	"	$1.66	"
	Henry Ganong	2	"	"	$1.62	"
	Henry Redmore	1	"	"	$1.65	"
	R W Wetmore	1	"	"	$1.66	"
		53				

Also 1 Clipper Plough steel board was sold to N E Gorham for $11.00 to be sent up in river boat.

	Grass seed & clover sold (con)	**grass**	**clover**		
1887					
13-May	Joseph L Flewelling	1 pk	10 lb	$1.77	
13-May	R W Wetmore	1 peck	4 lbs	$1.14	
14-May	Eli Scribner	1 bush	10 lbs	$3.93	
16-May	J W Chaloner	½ bush		$1.43	
16-May	John Hill		5 lbs	$0.55	
16-May	D P Wetmore	¼ bush	50 lbs	$7.74	
18-May	Justus Pickett	1 peck	15 lb	$2.30	
18-May	Wm E Pickett	1 peck	10 lbs	$1.77	
18-May	D D Northrup		10 lbs	$1.05	
21-May	Ed Waddell	2 pecks	5 lbs	$1.96	
21-May	J B Flewelling	1 peck	5 lbs	$1.27	
21-May	Jas Puddington	½ peck	5 lbs	$0.36	
23-May	Robert Godfrey	½ bush	5 lbs	$1.98	
23-May	Robert Sheldrick	2 bush	20 lbs	$7.80	
1-Jun	Burton Flewelling	1 qt	2 lbs	$0.30	
2-Jun	Justus Wetmore	1 qt	1 lb	$0.20	
4-Jun	John Chaloner	1 peck		$0.72	
10-Jun	M W Flewelling	2 qts	2 lb	$0.40	
10-Sep	D W Wetmore	¼ bush	5 lbs	$0.89	
26-Sep	Geo Chaloner	1 bush		$2.85	
18-Jun	E P Fullerton	10 lbs fine bone block		$1.35	
				$5.63	
25-Jun	Alex Catheline	240 lbs sup (Bradley)			
15-Jun	Ed Waddell Edwin Peters	240 lbs sup		$4.81	

1887			
30-Apr	1 disc harrow 21.00 1daisy churn 6.55	$27.55	
26-Mar	1165 lbs reid's S 19.08 500 lbs cumberland 3.44	$27.93	
"	material for 300 lb potato manure 6.38 do for 200 grain 3.44	$9.82	
		$65.30	
	by cash		$60.00
12-Jul	by balance		$5.30

Meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society in the Hall at Clifton on April 30 1887.

Present:	C D Fairweather, President	R W Wetmore VP
	D P Wetmore sec	Jas I Brien
	E H Merritt	E P Fullerton
	D D Northrup	Albert White

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Delegates to sale of services of horses in F'ton by the Government reported that they did not succeed in purchasing, as the horses sold higher than the society cared to go. On motion resolved that the expenses of the delegates be paid. Expenses were $4.22 for each delegate, total $8.22. D D Northrup's bill for repairing stove in Hall at Kingston ($.75) ordered to be paid. Res. that Rev D I Wetmore's bill for printing posters of sale of fertilizer & implements be paid. Amount of bill $.60.

Rec. as rent for hay cutter from C Brien $1.25.

Resolve that a Disc Harrow be offered for sale this day & another if deemed desirable.

On motion resolve that the Aspinwall Potato Planter be purchased & held by the Society at $75.00 including the fertilizer attachment

On motion meeting adjourned D P Wetmore sr.

After the meeting was over the sale of fertilizer & implements took place, fertilizer being sold on the preceding page & implements as on the next page.

2-May	**name**	
1 peck of seed .72, 10 lb clover 1.05, [?] .15	E P Fullerton	$1.92
1 peck grass seed .72, 5 lb clover seed .53 H	D Wetter	$1.25
2 bush grass seed @ 2.85, 1 seamless bag .25 30 lb clover seed .10?	Henry Ganong	$9.10
1 bush. grass seed 2.85, 15 lb clover seed .10?	C Foster (settled with note)	$4.43
10 lb clover seed 1.05, ? bush grass seed 1.43	C Bruce	$2.48
5 lb clover seed .53,	C D Fairweather	$0.53
10 lb clover seed	John Chaloner	$1.05
1? pecks grass seed, 5 lb clover seed	J E Flewelling	$1.63
4 lbs grass seed .24, 4 lb clover seed .42	D P Wetter	$0.66

Implements sold at Clifton April 30 at auction

lever cutter $4.00	C Brien (delivered)(pd)	$4.00	$4.00
champion cutter 11.50	J S Wetmore (dd) (not paid)	$11.50	$11.50
No 26 side hill plough $7.50	Barnard Dunn (del)	$8.25	$8.25
planet jr cultivator	C W A Puddington (del)	$9.25	$9.25
horse hoe	John Dann (del)(pd)	$5.00	$5.00
Disc Harrow	Joseph H Gorham	$21.50	$21.50
Planet jr cultivator ordered by W A Pitt not taken (resale)			
Daisy churn No 3	Edwin Peters	$6.55	$6.55
Disc Harrow	Edwin Peters	$21.00	$27.55
lover cutter	C D Fairweather	$4.50	$4.50
lover cutter	E Kilpatrick (didn't take it)	$4.95	
Cultivator with attachments	Stephen Crawford	$11.60	$11.60
cultivator	John Chaloner	$9.50	$9.50
No 26 side hill plough	H D Wetmore	$9.25	$9.25
daisy churn No 3	Chas Scribner	$6.55	$6.55
daisy churn No 2	Jas I Brien	$6.00	$6.00
Disc Harrow 16 inch	C Brien (delivered)(pd)	$20.10	$21.10
clipper plough	Arthur Dixon	$11.80	$11.80
No 36 side hill plough	W F Flewelling	$7.25	$7.25
No 36 side hill plough	G N Flewelling	$7.25	$7.25
No 2 daisy churn	D D Northrup	$6.10	$6.10
Planet jr cultivator	D P Wetmore	$9.50	$9.50
No 16 side hill plough	Hezekeil Scribner	$8.00	$8.00
			$218.80
	Jacob Cosman		$6.00
Quebec broadcast sower	DPW & G Merritt	$44.00	$44.00
clipper plough	Jas Dann	$13.50	$13.50
daisy churn	Harvey Whiting	$7.50	$7.50
Planet jr cultivator	John Frost	$9.50	
planet jr cultivator	Hedley Dickson	$9.50	$19.00

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Implements sold to members

(from five pages back, continued)

15 1 wheelbarrow to	D P Wetmore	$5.75
1 planet jr cultivator	Nathaniel Urquart	$10.00
1 daisy churn No 2	John Nutter	$6.50
1 sharp rake	John R Merritt (Kars)	$23.00
1 steel clipper plough	N E Gorham	$11.00
1 hoe adjuster for seeder	Jas F Merritt	$0.64
1 steel plough (on hand)		$13.00
1 potato planter (on hand)		$75.00
1 wisner hay ladder	D P Wetmore	$36.00
little hero plow	Baird Williams	$10.00

1-Oct	single truck for hay	Jacob Cosman	$6.08
	1 cultivator	R W Wetmore	$9.50

At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society held at the Agricultural Hall, Kingston on October 31 1887, called for the purpose of nominating a person for appointment by the gov. to the Board of Agriculture. James E Fairweather was unanimously nominated for the position.

Signed D D Northrup, sec. pas. tem.
D P Wetmore Secr.

Clifton Hall, Nov 26 1887
Annual meeting of the Union Agricultural Society Nov 26 1887. Minutes of the last annual meeting read and adopted at about 11A.M. No further business but a general discussion took place until adjournment for dinner.

On assembling after dinner it was resolved that the number of directors for the ensuring be 18.

On motion resolved that the Society proceed to the nomination of directors.

Moved and seconded that the Society hold an exhibition this year. Motion lost.

Election of Directors then proceeded with results as follows.

Elected as Directors: D P Wetmore 48 votes, E H Merritt 47, Lee Nutter 47, John Hill 47, DD Northrup 46, R W Wetmore 48, E Fullerton 46, H V Dickson 46, C D Fairweather 46, H D Wetmore 45, C W A Puddington 42, Hezekiah Scribner 42, J W Chaloner 42, Henry Redmore 42, N E Gorham 41, Cunningham Brien 41, Chas Scribner 38, Joseph H Gorham 22. Eighteen directors in all. P A Northrup obtained 16 votes, Wm [?] 15 & C Foster 11 but of course were not elected.

Previous to voting for Directors members joined the Society as noted 2 leaves back. Annual meeting then adjourned

D P Wetmore secr.

Sale of implements took place as advertised by auction. Albert Hoyt getting a clipper plough for $10.50 & R W Wetmore a planet jr. cultivator for $9.50

Nov 26 1887

At a meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society at this date the following officers were elected: C D Fairweather, president, R W Wetmore 1st Vice president, Hedley V Dickson 2nd vice president, D P Wetmore sec/treas.

On motion resolved that the Society make arrangements for the importation of chemicals for manure.

On motion resolved that the president & sec. take steps to continue the arrangements for the purchase of implements similar to those of last year.

On motion resolved that D P Wetmore's bill for printed notices of annual meeting be paid. Amt .50 cents.

On motion resolved that JW Chaloner's bill for keep of bull 'London' be paid. Amt $3.00

On motion meeting adjourned D P Wetmore, sec.

List of Directors for 1888

D P Wetmore	R W Wetmore	E H Merritt
Lee Nutter	John Hill	D D Northrup
E P Fullerton	N V Dickson	C D Fairweather
H D Wetmore	C W A Puddington	Hezekiah Scribner
J W Chaloner	Henry Redmore	N E Gorham
Cunningham Brien	Chas Scribner	Joseph H Gorham

officers: C D Fairweather, President
R W Wetmore, 1st Vice President
Hedly Z Dickson, 2nd Vice President
D P Wetmore, secr. Treasurer

Account of Property belonging to the Union Agricultural Society Nov. 30 1887

Description of property	cost price including expenses	present value
Agricultural Hall & lot	$200.00	$400.00
1 Syracuse side hill plow No 16	$13.00	$11.00
1 Potato Planter	$75.50	$90.00
1 Champion Fanning Mill	$22.90	$22.00
30 lbs Muriate Potash	$0.68	$0.68
150 lbs Bone Block from Moncton Refinery	$1.80	$1.80
½ bushel grass seed @ 2.85	$2.28	$2.28

36 lb clover seed @ 10?	$3.78	$3.78
4 seamless bags (with seeds)	$1.00	$0.72
Joseph L Flewelling note (balance fertilizer)	$1.40	$1.40
Jas & Philip Dann note	$13.50	$13.50
John Hill note	$4.12	$4.12
David & Walker Long note	$6.00	$6.00
Barnard Dunn note	$12.25	$12.25
Jas I Brien note	$15.80	$15.80
John J McFarland note (for pig)	$6.00	$6.00
Chas Foster note	$8.95	$8.95
Wm Haslett bal of note	$1.00	$1.00
E Kilpatrick note	$6.00	$6.00
balance due not in notes	$164.76	$164.76
A Hoyt note	$10.50	$10.50
R W Wetmore note	$9.50	$9.50
all the notes & accts draw interest		

Tippet Burditt & Co (W G Burditt & Co)
in account with Union Agricultural Society

1887				
Nov	30	By 2 lever feed cutters @ 6.00 bill		$12.00
1888				
Jan	28	" 1 No 4 copper ship seed cutter		$14.00
Feb	23	" 1 No 2 daisy churn to Albert Hoyt		$7.00
Feb	25	" 1 No. 2 seed cutter to DWW for Harrison		$10.00
Mar	6	" No 2 feed cutter to John W Chaloner		$11.00
April	28	" churn & cultivator to J E Fairweather per bill		$17.00
"	24	centennial plow [?] per bill		$2.50
Aug	8	" 1 Sharp rake to E Waddell		$24.00
May	12	" 1 planet jr cultivator to Chas Dixon		$10.00
"	17	" disc harrow to J Q Chaloner		$25.85
July	4	" 1 No 2 daisy churn to Chas Dixon		$7.00
"		" to cash for same 6.65 Dix .35	$7.00	
July	9	By 30 rafter irons & [?] to J O Dann		$6.00
Aug	1	" spring seat for [?] by crank shaft for do		$1.25
Sept	10	by interest to Jan 1 on 128.60 or all but		
		J O Dann's rafter irons & sharps rake for E W		$2.47
"		" to cash in stamps	$0.47	
"		" to note for 130.60 due Jan 1 1889	$130.60	
"		" By cultivator to L I Crawford May 31		$10.00
		to cash for cultivator	$10.00	
			$148.07	$160.07
		to E Waddell's note for half rake	$12.00	
			$160.07	$160.07

Oct	18	by 1 No 10 plow to C A Belyea		$10.50
"	23	" 1 steel clipper plow to E S Northrup		$13.00
Nov	17	" fittings for copper strip cutter for D P W		$3.35
"		" to cash for plow for Northrup	$13.00	
			$13.00	$26.85
		by balance in 1888		$13.85
		to cash balance	$13.85	
June	23	by No 2 seed cutter to Eli S Northrup		$11.00
"		to cash for butter	$11.00	

Meeting of the Directors of the Union Agricultural Society at Kingston Feb 18 1888 (at Samuel Foster's)

By some misunderstanding the key of the Agricultural Hall was not in the neighborhood, being held by some parties who were using it for a singing school room & the meeting was held at Saml. Foster's. There was some discussion concerning the right of allowing the use of the Hall for a singing school but no definite action was taken.

On motion resolved that material of 25 tons of chemical manure be imported.

On motion resolved that the manure when mixed be sold at public auction.

On motion resolved that the Secr. Treasurer be a committee to purchase chemicals.

On motion meeting adjourned to meet again at Clifton Hall on the evening of March 3rd at 7 o'clock.

D P Wetmore

Meeting of Directors of the Union Agricultural Society at Clifton on the evening of March 3rd.

Present: R W Wetmore, vice president, Hedley V Dickson, vice president, D P Wetmore sec. treasurer, H D Wetmore, Cunningham Brien, N E Gorham, E H Merritt, Jos H Gorham.

On motion resolved that a committee of five be appointed to ascertain the advisability of holding an exhibition this year & if for desirable to have another meeting of the directors called. The vice pres. appointed: E H Merritt, J H Gorham, Hedley V Dickson, D P Wetmore, N E Gorham.

On motion meeting adjourned. D P Wetmore

Meeting of the Directors of the Union Ag Society April 25 1888 in the Hall at Kingston.
Ordered that the fertilizer be sold at the following upset prices: –

Potash mixed by the society	cost	$44.00	upset price	$40.00
Grass & Grain " "	cost	42.00	" "	37.00
fruit & vine " "		38.00	" "	34.00
complete A " "		44.00	" "	35.00
Potash Manure Malpin's mixing		54.50	" "	50.00
Reid's superphosphate		39.00	" "	34.00

the auction then took place & results as follows (see inserted leaves)

Jardine & Co. St. John
1888

June	by fertilizer & seeds per bill		
	Reid's superphosphate 12322		$258.76
	178 lbs clover seed 16.57.		$67.21
	8½ bushels timothy seed 50.64		$1.344.64
	Dec to paid Jardine & Co per statement	$1.670.61	
		$1.670.61	$1.670.61

account of property belonging to the Union Agricultural Society Mar. 1 1888	**cost price including expenses**	**present value**
Agricultural Hall and lot at Kingston	$250.00	$400.00
1 champion fanning mill	$22.90	$20.00
300 lbs mixed fertilizer @ 210	$6.30	$6.30
300 lbs nitrate soda @ .03½	$10.50	$10.50
609 lbs sulphate ammonia @ 4½	$27.40	$27.40
263 lbs sulphate potash @ 02	$5.26	$5.26
806 lbs muriate potash @ 03	$24.18	$24.18

1887 W J Burdett & Co

Nov	30	by 2 lever seed cutters 12. 1 No 4 copper strip 14	$26.00

1888

Feb	23	by 1 No 2 daisy churn to A Hoyt No 1 seedcutter	$17.00
Mar	6	1 No 2 seed cutter (April 21) 1 No 2 churn	$18.00
April	21	1 planet jr cultivator. 1 do. 1 [?] dish [?]	$45.00
May	5	" 5 14 blades for cultivator. 1 chain holder. 1 cultivator	$10.85
		" 3 plow shares. chem. 30 HK R Irons	$15.50
Aug	8	1 sharps rake. crank shaft for ladder	$25.25

		to interest	$29.00	
		to note due Jan 1889		$130.60
			$159.60	$157.60
Oct	18	by No 10 plow for Al Belyea		$10.50
	"	23 " 1 steel clipper plow E S Northrup		$13.00
Nov	17	1 copper strip shaft, 2 gear wheels, 1 knife		$3.35
Oct	23	to cash per E S Northrup	$13.00	
July		to cash to balance	$13.85	
			$186.45	$184.45

John M Taylor in acct with U. Ag. S.

May	2	by 43047 lbs Bowker Fertilizer @ 34.00 per ton		$73.90
		to cash per D P Wetmore	$73.90	

Union Agr. Society in acct with D P Wetmore, treas.

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1888				
		brought over from page 110	$1,900.63	$2,070.78
		to 21 bbls for chemical manure 15	$4.75	
		to implement from W G Burditt & Co per bill	13 $159.60	
		to implement from "	14 $26.85	
		to Pine Lumber for bins, shovel & sieve	16 $3.36	
		to freight on 20 bbls Reid's, 300 do on 35 bbl Bone block		
		to freight on 4 bags seeds, do on ag. implements	17 $8.95	
		to cash paid A W Wetmore mixing chemicals	18 $10.08	
		to cash pd C D Fairweather mixing chemicals	19 $11.10	
		to paid D P W mixing & delivering chemical manure & hauling same	20 $14.50	
		to paid D W Wetmore mixing chemicals	21 $1.50	
		" paid to S E Chaloner mixing chemicals	22 $9.00	
		" paid M Wright Flewelling do do	23 $7.20	
		" paid John Chaloner mixing chemicals	24 $0.75	
		paid Stephen Wetmore do do	25 $4.00	
		paid Thos E Flewelling do do	26 $3.60	
		paid Smith Pickett do do	27 $0.75	
		paid Austin R Wetmore do do	28 $2.70	
		paid postage for year per bill	29 $1.18	
		paid allowance to sec. on (218.00)	30 $10.90	
			$2,181.40	$2,070.78
1889				
Mar	1	to balance due secr.	$110.62	
		to amounts still unpaid in notes 137.37		

	in ordinary acct. 163.96	$301.33	
	making a total of	$411.95	
	the society still has 2 notes unmatured the amount		
	of which are included in the above accounts.		
	123.00 & 146.00 to be deducted	$279.00	
Mar 9	this leaves balance at present 'overpaid'	$132.95	
	to the two notes were taken up by DPW	$279.00	
Aug	by cash chemicals on hand from Ag Society Aug 23		$73.64
Oct 22	by cash from AV Dickson for chemicals		$16.72
Nov 1	by cash paid on notes to date per small book		$97.28
" "	by cash on acct to date		$90.14
		$411.95	$277.78

to balance due DPW $279.00
the amounts in the credit column are not all paid there being
due-in notes 137.37 & in accounts 163.96

Meeting of the Union Ag. Society at Kingston, Sept 29, 1888, called by the president.
On motion resolved that this society send two delegates to the Gov. stock sale.

On motion resolved that the society pay each delegate $3.00 toward his expenses in attending sale.

On motion resolved that the delegates be D P Wetmore & John W Chaloner.

On motion resolve that a public sale of the implements belonging to the society on Saturday evening the 13th inst at 7 o'clock, also that a public meeting be called at that time for the purpose of organizing a new society.

On motion the meeting adjourned. DP Wetmore

Meeting of Directors of the Union Ag Society at Kingston, Oct 13th 1888
(8 present) Decided to take the bull calf purchased by Hon G H Flewelling at Fredericton. No 4 sold by the Government. Also the boar pig purchased by the secr. from J E Fairweather for $12.00 & $1.50 for bringing him to Kingston. Bull to be kept for 1 year in district no 23, charge to members .25 cents others $1.00. Boar pig to be kept till June 1889 charge to members .50 cents others $1.00
DP Wetmore

This was not a meeting called of the directors but 8 of them together at the time & decided to take their animals DPW

Terms 6 months audit

Side hill plow sold Capt. Shampier (pd)	$ 7.76	
Fanning Mill & separator held by society at upset price afterward taken by DP Wetmore		$16.00
Potato Planter held by Society at upset price	$60.00	
Ayrshire bull bought by David Jones (note)		$ 7.50
boar pig sold to E H Merritt (pd)		$ 7.76

[The following is in very small script at the bottom of the page, and may add to the story just by the size of the script.]

After sale a public meeting was held for the purpose of organizing a new Agr. Society under the new [?] E H Merritt who had acted as chairman of the Directors in the absence of the president took the chair & the sec. of the old society acted as sect. It was suggested that the old officers act as previous officers till society was formed. After discussion many joined [?] in all. It was resolved that if found profitable members wishing it [?] with the county [?] at $1.00 per year. Also that steps be taken towards nucleus of a library. DPW sec.

The Annual meeting of the Ag. Society for district 23 was held in the Hall at Kingston on Saturday the 22nd December 1888. Meeting called to order by the provisional president C D Fairweather Esq.

Election of Directors then took place & resulted as follows:

D P Wetmore	R W Wetmore	J S Wetmore
A B White	E P Fullerton	Henry Redmore
Wm Haslett jr	Norman Puddington	E H Merritt
R C Williams	N E Gorham	Jos H Gorham
Lee Nutter	John Ganong	Geo G Erb
Hezekiah Scribner	Edwin J Peters	C D Fairweather
D D Northrup	John Hill	Hedley V Dickson
Jacob Cosman		

It was previously resolved that there be not less than 20 Directors with a proviso that two allowed from Kars if a sufficient number of people there joined.

On motion resolved that the offer of the Provincial Farmers association of a lecturer be accepted provided an evening meeting be held.

On motion resolved that the society pay the entrance fee of delegates to the

Provincial Farmers Association.

On motion resolved that members requiring it be furnished by the society with the Country Gentleman at $1.00 per annum

At a Directors meeting the following were elected officers: –

D D Northrup, president
R W Wetmore, 1st vice
H V Dickson, 2nd vice
D P Wetmore, secr-treasurer

The last president or President of the Union Ag Society was nominated but declined.

D P Wetmore

Before the meeting proceeded & business the secr. explained that the new society was not yet incorporated but it was advised by the Secr. For Agriculture to go on with the election of officers & have them confirm or reject when the society was incorporated. On motion it was resolved to proceed with the election with that understanding.

D P Wetmore, secr.

Directors who will find out what fertilizers are required and will look after the sale of implements:

Rob. Williams	Long Reach
Jacob Cosman, D D Northrup	Kingston
A B White	Midland
Wm Haslett	Whitehead
Edwin Peters, Hezekiah Scribner	Upper Midland
E H Merritt	Moss Glen
John F Ganong, Geo G Erb	Long Point
D P Wetmore	Clifton & Rothesay
W Lee Nutter	Urquaharts
Hedley V Dickson	The Neck
Jas W Toole, Miles G Jenkins	Kars

Meeting of the directors of the Agricultural Society for District No 23 at Clifton Hall Jan 12 1889

Present D D Northrup, president
R W Wetmore, 1st vice president
D P Wetmore, secretary & treasurer

J S Wetmore, A B White, E P Fullerton, Wm Haslett jr, Norman Puddington, E H Merritt, R C Williams, N E Gorham, Jacob Cosman, Edwin J Peters esq.

Minutes of the annual meeting read and minutes of Directors meeting at Kingston read & confirmed. Discussion as to whether an exhibition should be held without result. On motion resolved that there be a committee appointed to import fertilizers as found required by members, after enquiry is made through the Directors. The president appointed the sec. D P Wetmore, R W Wetmore & Jacob Cosman as above committee.

On motion resolved that $30.00 be expended in the purchase of agricultural books as the nucleus of the library. Res. that R W Wetmore be a committee on the purchasing of books.

On motion resolved that Jas W Toole & Miles G Jenkins of Kars be added to the list of Directors. This was done on the strength of a resolution passed at the annual meeting providing that two directors be allowed from Kars if the people joined from that vicinity.

On motion that E J Peters esq., D P Wetmore, Jacob Cosman, E H Merritt & N E Gorham be delegates to the Provincial Farmers Association at F'ton on the 16th 17 & 18 of January inst. all the above appointed delegates, but one, stated previous to their appointment that they did not expect to be able to be present at F'ton. Bill presented by the secr. for $5.00 paid the secr. of the Prov. Farmers Association for lecture at Clifton be Hon Q A Gilbert. On motion resolved that the Hall be paid.

On motion the meeting adjourned

D P Wetmore, secr.

The lecture on institute held at Clifton under the auspices of the Provincial Farmers Association was eminently successful there being between one & two hundred people present. The subjects treated were silage and dairying.

D P Wetmore

Kingston April 27 1889

General meeting of the Ag. Society for District 23 for the purpose of deciding whether actions taken at meetings before the Society was incorporated be confirmed. On motion Capt. Shampier took the chair. On motion resolved that the meeting held before the incorporation of the Society on Dec. 22 1888 be accepted as the annual meeting of the Society & the actions at that meeting be hereby accepted & confirmed. On motion meeting adjourned sine die

signed Raymond [?] [sec]

Agricultural District No 23
Members Names for 1889

Kingst ch 1	Kingst ch 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	amount subscribe
1				Joseph H Gorham	Kingston	$2.00
	2			D P Wetmore	Clifton. Kings Co.	$11.00
3				Nathaniel Urquart	Urquahart. W O	$1.00
	4			Gabriel Merritt	Moss Glen	$3.00
	5			Jas E Fairweather	Clifton	$1.00
			6	Jas E Fairweather	Norton	$1.00
	7			G Hudson Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00
	8			E N Merritt	Moss Glen	$3.00
9				D D Northrup	Kingston	$1.00
10				Wm Shampier	Kingston	$1.00
11				W Lee Nutter	Urquahart. W O	$1.00
			12	J Lee Flewelling	Gondola Point	$1.00
	13			E P Fullerton	Centreton	$1.00
14				Chas G Dickson	Kingston	$1.00
15				John O Dann	Kingston	$1.00
	16			Cunningham Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
	17			H D Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
	18			O W Wetmore	Clifton	$5.00
	19			Norman Puddington	Moss Glen	$1.00
	20			Rev. D I Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
	21			Joseph Hatty	Moss Glen	$1.00
	22			C W A Puddington	Moss Glen	$1.00
	23			R W Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
	24			Geo A Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
	25			Danl. Buckley	Clifton	$1.00
	26			S Edwin Chaloner	Clifton	$1.00
27				Geo Chaloner	Kingston	$1.00
	28			Justus S Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
29				C D Fairweather	Kingston	$1.00
	30			Baird Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
	31			N E Gorham	Long Reach	$1.00
	32			C Albert Belyea	Long Reach	$1.00
	33			R E Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
	34			Daniel Crawford	Long Reach	$1.00
	35			Wm E Carvill	Long Reach	$1.00
	36			Gilbert C Williams	Centreton	$1.00
	37			Theodor Holder	Long Reach	$1.00
						$56.00
	38			Wm Haslett jr	Whitehead	$1.00
	39			Henry Redmore	Whitehead	$1.00
	40			John S Edwards	Whitehead	$1.00

Kingst ch 1	Kingst ch 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	amount subscribe
	41			Jos. R McFarland	Whitehead	$1.00
	42			Wm Megan	Whitehead	$1.00
	43			Albert White	White's Mills	$1.00
	44			Alex Catheline	Centreton	$1.00
	45			B W Parker	Whitehead	$1.00
	46			John A White	White's Mills	$1.00
	47			John Martin	Whitehead	$1.00
	48			James Darrah	Centreton	$1.00
	49			Joseph Pater	Whitehead	$1.00
50				Robt. Sheldick	Kingston	$1.00
51				John Hill	Kingston	$1.00
	52			M W Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00
53				Charles Bruce	Kingston	$1.00
54				Justus Pickett	Kingston	$1.00
55				Charles Foster	Kingston	$1.00
56				Wesley Nutter	Urquahart, W O	$1.00
			57	Seth Erb	Long Point	$1.00
58				Hezekiah Scribner	Scribner P O	$1.00
59				Geo G Erb	Long Point	$1.00
60				Wm Dann	Scribner P O	$1.00
			61	John F Ganong	Long Point	$1.00
62				Geo W Ganong	Scribner P O	$1.00
			63	Samuel Erb	Long Point	$1.00
64				John Wheaton	Elmhurst	$1.00
			65	Arthur B Ganong	Long Point	$1.00
66				Lemuel E Drew	Long Point	$1.00
			67	Andrew Leonard	Long Point	$1.00
			68	Henry Erb	Long Point	$1.00
69				J Henry Perkins	Scribner	$1.00
			70	Samuel Bates	Long Point	$1.00
			71	Scott Erb	Long Point	$1.00
72				Edwin Peters	Elmhurst	$1.00
73				Henry Ganong	Elmhurst	$1.00
74				Chas W Ganong	Scribner P O	$1.00
						$93.00
			75	Allan Ganong	Long Point	$1.00
76				W E Pickett	Kingston (honourary member)	
	77			W B Flewwelling	Clifton	$1.00
78				Eli S Scribner	Kingston	$1.00
			79	John F Frost	Hampton	$1.00
	80			William Long	Walton's Lake	$1.00
			81	Jas G Logan	Gondola Point	$1.00

Kingst ch 1	Kingst ch 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	amount subscribe
			82	E Kilpatrick	Gondola Point	$1.00
83				Edward Waddell	Clifton	$1.00
84				Leonard Crawford	Kingston	$1.00
85				Hubert Pitt	Kingston	$1.00
86				John Gilliland	Reeds Point	$1.00
	87			Alber Holder	Long Reach	$1.00
	88			David B Miller	Centreton	$1.00
	89			Robt Smith	Long Reach	$1.00
	90			John Rogers	Elmsdale	$1.00
91				Chas Scribner	Kingston	$1.00
92				Wm Earle	Elmhurst	$1.00
93				Jesse Jones	Urquahart, W O	$1.00
	94			William Cronk	Moss Glen	$1.00
	95			R Harrity	Moss Glen	$1.00
96				P A Northrup	Kingston	$1.00
			97	S S Hall	Rothesay	$1.00
	98			Joseph Long	White's Mills	$1.00
			99	Hedley V Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
			100	Chas Prince	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
			101	Thos P Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
			102	S Z Dickson	St John	$1.00
103				Sandal T Lamb	Perry's Point	$1.00
			104	Thomas T Barker	Model Farm	$1.00
	105			John Harrison	Moss Glen	$1.00
			106	A C Fairweather	Rothesay	$1.00
	107			D Walker Long	Walton's Lake	$1.00
	108			W H Chetley	Walton's Lake	$1.00
	109			David B Long	Walton's Lake	$1.00
			110	L J Almon	Rothesay	$1.00
	111			Joseph Evans	Moss Glen	$1.00
						$129.00
			112	G J Coulter White	Hampton	$1.00
113				Jacob Cosman	Kingston	$1.00
			114	Gilbert Upham	Hampton	$1.00
			115	Miles B Fowler	Grom's Cove, Hampton	$1.00
			116	John H King	Smith's Creek, Studholm	$1.00
	117			Jas R White	White's Mills	$1.00
		118		Jas W Toole	Tooleton, Kars	$1.00
	119			Hedley V White	White's Mills	$1.00

Kingst ch 1	Kingst ch 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	amount subscribe
		120		Miles Jenkins	Downeyville, Kars	$1.00
37	55	2	27	(sent secr. for Ag to this)		$138.00
			121	William D Richards	Oak Point, Greenwich	$1.00
			122	W H Merritt	St John	$1.00
			123	Andrew Kirkpatrick	Gondola Point	$1.00
	124			Stephen Wetmore	Moss Glen	$1.00
		125		John A Morrell	Downeyville, Kars	$1.00
		126		Whitfield Palmer	Tenants Cove, Kars	$1.00
		127		Geo B Toole	Tooleton, Kars	$1.00
	128			R E Lyon	Greys Mills, Kingston	$1.00
			129	John Second	Long Creek, Johnston	$1.00
			130	Justus H Grey	Springfield, K.C.	$1.00
			131	Edwin M Flewelling	Sussex, K.Co.	$1.00
			132	Isaac H Hetherington	Jenkins PO, Johnston	$1.00
	134			Hedley White	Long Reach	$1.00
	135			Willett A Wiliams	Long Reach	$1.00
			136	Albert Berger	Rothesay	$1.00
137				Geo A Worden	Perry Point	$1.00
			138	Chas Scribner (John F Ganong)	Long Point	$1.00
	139			Jas D Williams	Holderville K.Co.	$1.00
140				David Jones	Kingston	$1.00
			141	Saml. Ganong	Scribner PO	$1.00

due the secr. treas. DP Wetmore by members as below
Nov 11 1891

R C Williams on Judson White's name $1.00		
R C Williams as share of deficiency on fees per agreement		
Nov 29 1890 We are $5.00 short in fees & these ten		
who agreed to share in making up the deficiency	(pd .65 in all)	
Capt. Shamper – share of deficiency	(pd .65 in all)	$0.15
John Frost " "	(pd .65 in all)	$0.15
Hezekiah Scribner " "		$0.15
D D Northrup " "		$0.50
Joseph Gorham " "	(pd .65 in all)	$0.15
F H Flewelling		$0.15
W Lee Nutter		$0.15
O W Wetmore		$0.15
R W Wetmore	(pd .65 in all)	$0.15

[It looks as if D P Wetmore was carrying quite a financial burden in the name of the society, and the members were willing to leave it to a few to cover the difference!]

[On a piece of paper glued onto the page is the following:]

Amounts due the Society on Jan 1 1892 by members		
From Union Society 52.91 interest 3.00		$55.91
From transactions of 1889 53.35 interest 3.00		$56.35
from transactions of 1890 fertilizer 45.36 interest 2.70		$48.06
transactions 1891 fertilizer 180.33 interest 12.00		$192.33
implements '90 &'91 11.50 interest .70		$12.20
		$364.85
	less implements	$12.20
		$352.65

W G Burditt & Co St. John
in account with Agricultural Society for District ch 23

1889				
Jun 23	by No 2 seed cutter for E S Northrup			$11.00
" "	to cash for seed cutter	$11.00		
Jan 30	by No 2 seed cutter for Geo Chaloner			$11.50
	to cash for seed cutter	$10.50		
April 20	by century harrow to john Frost bill			$27.50
" 25	by side hill plow to E Waddell bill			$10.00
June 5	by 2 daisy churns No 2 PA Northrup & MW Flewelling			$14.00

"	18	by cultivator for Jas Darrah 10.00 int. .20			$10.20
"	24	by 1 horse mower to H D Wetmore			$55.00
July	8	by carrier & rope for G Merritt	17.59		
		by churn for G Brien	6.50		
		by churn for John Hornbrook	7.00		$31.09
Oct	1	by hay carrier & rope to G Merritt			$16.54
"	10	by 1 side hill plow to Wm Cronk			$8.00
"	30	by 1 No 16 side hill plow to John Rogers			$13.00
Nov	22	to H D Wetmore 2 notes (mower)		$55.00	
		to John Rogers note (plow)		$13.00	
		to cash per D P Wetmore		$117.33	
				$185.33	$185.33

Haying on the hillside. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Agricultural Society for District ch 23
in account with D P Wetmore

1889					
Jan	1	to cash pd for notes of annual meeting	1	$1.00	
"	12	to cash paid secr. PFA for KZAGilberts l?	2	$5.00	
Jan	22	to cash to Ed of Country Gentleman in three post office orders one in Dec	3	$28.80	
Feb	9	to cash pd for printing notes of meeting in Kars	4	$0.40	
		by subscriptions & donations acknowledged			$138.00
June	4	to 15 small bags of chemical manure	5	$1.50	

" 22	to 200 blank notes per Rev D I Wetmore	6	$1.00	
July 23	to cash to H E Northrup for 3 days work			
	at chemical	7	$3.00	
	to cash to M Wright Flewelling mixing			
	chemicals 6 days work @ $1.	8	$6.00	
	to 17 bbl land plaster from C H Peters for use			
	in chemical manure	9	$21.25	
Sept	to cash to J S Wetmore rent building			
	for fertilizer	10	$10.00	
	to cash to Gilbert Wetmore cartage & work	11	$18.26	
	to postage to date per bill	12	$3.08	
	to cash to RW Wetmore 3? day work			
	mixing chemical manure	13	$5.25	
Aug	to cash to Union Ag Society for chemicals	14	$73.64	
	to certain supplies time mixing chemicals (bill)	15	$2.37	
	by cash receive from sale of implements			
	John Frost cutaway harrow, cultivator Jas Darrah			$37.50
	daisy churns PA Northrup, MWF, G Brien, DPW			$26.45
	hay carrier & fittings G Merritt			$16.49
	to freight per sta Clifton	16	$23.60	
	by 19 subscriptions to Country Gentleman			$19.00
Nov 2	to allowance to sec. on 303.00	17	$15.15	
"	by cash for fertilizer & seeds to date			$951.12
"	to cash Jardine & Co on acct fertilizer	18	$951.00	
			$1,170.30	$1,188.56
	by balance			$18.36
	to postage to date bill	19	$1.08	
	to cash printing notices ann meeting	20	$1.00	
	to cash to W F Burditt & Co for implements	21	$185.33	
	by government grant			$165.00
			$187.41	$183.36

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Jardin & Co in account with Agricultural Society for District ch23
1889

April 27	by timothy & clover seed per bill		$16.37
"	" by goods per bill chemicals		$1,367.31
May 7	by item in statement of which no invoice		
	50 lbs red clover to John G Ganong		$5.25
	by interest 3 months & 3 days		$25.19
	to note 3 months dated April 29 1889	$1,397.75	
		$1,397.75	$1,414.12
	by balance		$16.37
May 23	by chemicals & seed per bill		$36.66
July 27	to cash per Geo S Wetmore	$416.00	

"	" to new note for 1000.00 less interest on new note		$981.75	
"	by back to retire note			$1,397.75
			$1,397.75	$1,450.78

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Agricultural Society for District No 23 in account with
D P Wetmore Treasurer

1889				
	brought foreward one leaf		$187.41	$183.26
	to cash for ayrshire calf purchased at gov. stock sale	22	$17.00	
Nov 23	by cash from J Hill rents of bull			$4.00
" "	to cash & DD Northrup repairing Hall	23	$9.30	
	to cash to Horace Northrup do do	24	$2.00	
	to cash to RW Wetmore do do	25	$1.40	
	by amount from H D Wetmore for mower			$55.00
	by amount from John Rogers for plow			$13.00
	by cash notes of 1889 pd to Nov 27 1890 & since Nov 2 1889			$106.97
	by cash pd on acct. since Nov 2 1889 to Nov 27 1890			$242.10
1890				
Feb 4	to cash paid to retire Jardine note	1	$328.11	
	to interest on renewal note 200.00	2	$3.62	
	by cash hired from Capt. Shampier			$523.55
	by cash additional from Capt. Shampier			$76.45
May 7	to cash to Reta Jardine note (last)	3	$200.00	
14	to cash to M Wright F. mixing chemical	4	$7.50	
14	to cash pd filling up mixing house	5	$5.90	
May 27	to cash pd cartage on chemicals	6	$1.50	
" "	to postage to date per small book		$1.14	
	to cash for 20 copies Country Gentleman		$30.00	
	by fees from 77 members			$79.00
May 27	to cash to Prov. Chem. Fert. Co		$685.41	
Nov 27	by cash received per aid on fertilizer per other book			
1890				
Nov 27	1890 on notes 130.13, acct. 451.45			$581.58
	by cash received for implements per small book			$22.33
Aug 25	to cash on note to Carvill		$170.00	
	to cash postage to date		$2.38	
			$1,652.67	$1,887.24
	to freight on [Steamer] Clifton		$11.00	
	to allowance to sec.		$13.25	
Nov 27	to balance due sec. by Union Agricultural Society		$83.35	
			$1,760.27	$1,887.24
	balance due sec.			$126.97

The Clifton *at Indiantown. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B.)*

1889

Jardin & Co. in account with Agricultural Society for District No 23

April	27	by timothy & clover seed per bill			$16.37
"	"	by goods per bill chemicals			$1,367.31
May	8	by items in statement of which no invoice			
		50 lbs red clover to John G. Ganong			$5.25
		by interest 3 months & 3 days			$25.19
		to note 3 months dated April 29 1889		$1,397.75	
				$1,397.75	$1,414.12
		by balance			$16.37
May	23	by chemicals & seed per bill			$36.66
July	27	to cash per Geo S Wetmore 250. cash 166.		$416.00	
		to new note for 1000. less int on new note 18.25		$981.75	
		by cash to retire note			$1,397.75
				$1,397.75	$1,450.78
July	27	by balance			$53.03
Nov	2	to cash 150. cash 235.	385.00		
		to 15 days draft for 150 net 149.54	149.54	$534.54	
		to new note for 528. les disc. 9.62		$518.49	
		by note retired by Jardin & Co			$1,000.00
				$1,053.03	$1,053.03

Agricultural Society for District No 23 in account with D.P. Wetmore

1889		v.	dr	cr
	brought forward one leaf		$187.41	$183.26
	to cash for ayrshire calf purchased at			

		Gov. sale stock	22	$17.00	
Nov	23	by cash from J Hill rents of bull			$4.00
	23	to cash to D D Northrup repairing hall	23	$9.30	
	"	to cash to Hiram Northrup do do	24	$2.00	
	"	to cash to R W Wetmore do do	25	$1.40	
		by amount from H D Wetmore for manure			$55.00
		by amount from John Rogers for plow			$13.00
		by cash notes of 1889 pd to Nov 27 1890			
		& since Nov 2 1889			$106.97
		by cash pd on account since Nov 2 1889			$242.10
1890					
Feb	4	To cash paid to retire Jardins note	1	$328.11	
		to interest on renewal note	2	$3.62	
		to cash advance by Capt Shampers			$76.45
		by cash hired from Capt Shampers			$523.55
May	7	to cash to return Jardin's note 3		$200.00	
	14	to cash to M Wright F mixing chemicals	4	$7.50	
	14	to cash paid for fitting up mixing house	5	$5.90	
May	27	to cash pd cartage of chemicals	6	$1.50	
		to postage to date per small book		$1.14	
		to cash for 20 copies Country Gentleman		$30.00	
		by fees from 77 members			$79.00
May	27	to cash to Prov. Chem. Fer. Co		$685.41	
Nov	27	by cash rec. on fert., notes, accounts			$581.58
		by cash rec. on implements per small book			$22.33
Aug	25	by cash on note to renew		$170.00	
		to cash postage to date		$2.38	
				$1,652.67	$1,887.24
		to freight on Steamer Clifton		$11.00	
		to allowance to sec.		$13.25	
Nov	27	to balance due Sec. by Union Agricultural Society		$83.35	
				$1,760.27	$1,887.24
					$126.97

Directors of the Union Agricultural Society

Met at Clifton Hall Nov 23 1889 for closing up the business of society. H G H Flewelling & H V Dickson had been appointed auditors by the president & they reported that they had examined the acct. & found them satisfactory. There was still owed to the society by members $164.12 on acct of fertilizers & the scer. had overpaid $142.14

After some discussion it was resolved that a committee be appointed with the sec. to assist in settling up the account of Society & to deed the Hall at Kingston to the

new society if it is formed, that it can be done legally.

On motion resolved that D D Northrup, D P Wetmore & R W Wetmore be the committee.

On motion the board of directors adjourned.

membership list)

Kingst 1	Kingst 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	subscript.
1				D D Northrup	Kingston	$2.00
	2			D P Wetmore	Clifton	$2.00
	3			R C Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
	4			Cunningham Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
	5			H D Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
			6	J Lee Flewelling	Gondola Point	$1.00
	7			Baird Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
	8			Wm Carvill	Long Reach	$1.00
	9			Robt. Smith	Long Reach	$1.00
	10			J S Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
	11			Henry Redmore	Whitehead	$1.00
	12			Reuben Lyon	Greys Mills	$1.00
13				Chas Scribner	Kingston	$1.00
14				Geo G Erb	Long Point	$1.00
15				P A Northrup	Kingston	$1.00
	16			R W Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
			17	John F Frost	Hampton	$1.00
18				Capt. Wm Shampier	Kingston	$1.00
	19			Jas E Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
	20			C W A Puddington	Moss Glen	$1.00
21				Chas Foster	Kingston	$1.00
22				Eli S Northrup	Kingston	$1.00
	23			Norman W Puddington	Moss Glen	$1.00
	24			Jos H Gorham Greys	Mills	$1.00
	25			W J Megan	Whitehead	$1.00
	26			G H Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00
	27			O W Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00
28				Hezekiah Scribner	Scribner	$1.00
29				E J Peters esq	Elmhurst	$1.00
30				John O Dann	Kingston	$1.00
	31			E H Merritt	Moss Glen	$1.00
	32			John Rogers	Greys Mills	$1.00
	33			G Merritt	Moss Glen	$1.00
	34			M W Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00

Kingst 1	Kingst 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	subscript.
			35	H V Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
		36		Jas W Toole	Tooleton, Kars	$1.00
		37		Miles G Jenkins	Downeyville, Kars	$1.00
			38	John Second	Longs Creek, Johnston	$1.00
			39	G J Coulter	White Hampton	$1.00
	40			N E Gorham	Long Reach	$1.00
	41			Daniel McDougal	Long Reach	$1.00
	42			Hedley V White	Long Reach	$1.00
			43	John H King	Smiths Creek, Studholm	$1.00
			44	Wm J King	Smiths Creek, Studholm	$1.00
	45			J R McFarland	Whitehead	$1.00
			46	J T Logan	Gondola Point	$1.00
			47	E Kilpatrick	Gondola Point	$1.00
48				Jacob Cosman	Kingston	$1.00
49				Edward Waddell	Clifton	$1.00
	50			Daniel Buckley	Clifton	$1.00
	51			John Martin	Whitehead	$1.00
			52	S Z Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
			53	Chas Prince	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
			54	John Morrell	Nawwigewauk	$1.00
55				Sandall L Lamb	Perrys Point	$1.00
			56	Gilbert U Upham	Upham	$1.00
			57	S S Hall	Rothesay	$1.00
			58	L J Almon	Rothesay	$1.00
			59	W H Merritt	St John	$1.00
			60	John Second	Long Creek, Johnston	$1.00
	61			Wm H Chetley	Waltons Lake	$1.00
62				Jessie Jones	Urquaharts WO	$1.00
63				Wellesly Nutter	Urquaharts WO	$1.00
64				Nathanael Urquahart	Urquaharts WO	$1.00
65				W Lee Nutter	Urquaharts WO	$1.00
			66	Martin Harrison	Gondola Point	$1.00
			67	S L Peters	Otnabog	$1.00
			68	Wm J Richards	Oak Point	$1.00
	69			William Cronk	Moss Glen	$1.00
	70			Chas Nichols	Long Reach	$1.00
	71			Judson White	Long Reach	$1.00
	72			Daniel Crawford	Long Reach	$1.00
	73			Jas D Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
	74			C A Holder	Long Reach	$1.00
	75			R Harrity	Moss Glen	$1.00
		76		G W Palmer	Tenants Cove	$1.00
	77			Jos A Evans	Clifton	$1.00

Kingst 1	Kingst 2	Kars	Out side	Name	Residence	subscript.
			78	Justus H Grey	Springfield	$1.00
	79			John McFarland	Whitehead	$1.00
	80			Thos Kirk	Milkish	$1.00
	81			John Buckley	Milkish	$1.00
	82			Thos Long	Milkish	$1.00
	83			Joseph Long	Milkish	$1.00
	84			Wm McCutcheon	Milkish	$1.00
	85			Chas Dixon	Kingston	$1.00
	86			Geo Currie	Milkish	$1.00
	87			A B White	White's Mills	$1.00
	88			John A White	White's Mills	$1.00
	89			Samuel Kirk	Sea Dog Cove	$1.00
90				Hubert Pitt	(Vergnahurst) WO	$1.00
91				G W Ganong	Scribner PO	$1.00
	92			Jas Darrah	White's Mills	$1.00
	93			Cunningham Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
	94			Geo Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
95				John Gilliland	Reeds Point	$1.00
	96			Jas R White	White's Mills	$1.00
	97			E P Fullerton	Centreton	$1.00
98				Mrs. Godfrey	Kingston	$1.00
99				Jos Hatty	Moss Glen	$1.00
			100	Geo Bates	Long Point	$1.00
	101			John Rogers	Greys Mills	$1.00

Agricultural Society for District No 23 Annual Meeting, Clifton Hall Nov. 23 1889
Auditor's report read showing a balance in the Society's hands of $19.57, a balance owing to Jardine & Co. by the Society of $528.11 & a balance due the Society on fertilizer & implements &c in acct. & notes $588.23, leaving a balance to the credit on the Society when all accts were paid of $42.36. On motion resolved that the auditors acct. be received.

On motion resolved that we proceed to the election of Directors for 1890. On motion resolved that a committee of three be appointed to nominate Directors. D P Wetmore, Capt. Shampier & R C Williams appointed committee.

Directors were then nominated and elected as follows: –

D P Wetmore, R W Wetmore, A B White, Henry Redmore, Norman Puddington, E H Merritt, R C Williams, Jos H Gorham, Geo G Erb, Hezekiah Scribner, Edwin J Peters, Danl. D Northrup, Hedley V Dickson, Capt. W Shampier, Miles G Jenkins,

C D Fairweather, Chas Scribner, Jas W Toole

Moved and seconded that there be an exhibition this year. Moved as an amendment that a portion of the funds be saved this year for an exhibition next year, but that there be no exhibition this year. Amendment carried unanimously.

On motion that the Hon G H Flewelling be auditor of secr. Treasurer's acct.
It was decided to purchase fertilizer or raw material for fertilizer.

On motion adjourned.

Meeting of Directors of Agricultural Society for No 23 immediately after ann. meeting.
Present: – D P Wetmore, Henry Redmore, R C Williams, Jos H Gorham, Geo G Erb, Hezekiah Scribner, D D Northrup, Capt. Wm Shampier & Chas Scribner

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: –

R C Williams, President
Edwin J Peters, 1st Vice President
D D Northrup, 2nd Vice President
D P Wetmore, secretary treasurer

On motion resolved that the bills for repairs on the Agricultural Hall at Kingston, D D Northrup $9.30, Horace Northrup $2.00 & R W Wetmore $1.40 be paid.

On motion resolved that the country gentleman be supplied to members at the same rate as last year. ($1.00) per [?] the society paying the difference to editions.

On motion resolved that D P Wetmore, R C Williams & Jos H Gorham be a committee to arrange for the purchase of fertilizer & also to arrange for distribution to members.

On motion meeting adjourned D P Wetmore, secr.

Agricultural Society for District No 23 Annual Meeting at Kingston Hall Nov. 29th 1890
Meeting was opened by the President. On motion resolved that O W Wetmore act as secretary 'pro tem'.

Secr. then read an estimated report of the expenditures and receipts of the Society for 1890. The report was not exact as the Secr. was unable to get it ready on account of sickness.[11]

On motion resolved that the report be received and that it stand until the Secr. was interviewed or until he returned from Boston. About fourty names were handed in for forming a new Society and Captain Shampier proposed that the members present at the meeting should take the responsibility of securing the remaining membership equally. (that is to make up the amounts required when needed). The following members signified their willingness.

Captain Shampier, D D Northrup, W Lee Nutter, R C Williams, Joseph Gorham, O W Wetmore, John Frost, G H Flewelling, R W Wetmore, H Scribner.

On motion resolved that we elect directors for the ensuring year.

On motion resolved that last years directors be continued and that some new ones be added. On motion resolved that John Frost become a director.

On motion resolved that Geo Bates of Springfield become a director.

On motion resolved that N E Gorham become a director.

On motion resolved that Cunningham Brien become a director.

Meeting adjourned. O W Wetmore, acting secr.

Kingston, c. 1890. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Meeting of Directors of New Society after the other meeting Nov. 29 1890
On motion resolved that we elect officers for ensuring year.

On motion resolved that R C Williams be President

On motion resolved that D D Northrup be Vice president.

On motion resolved that E J Peters be 2nd vice

On motion resolved that O W Wetmore be secr. Treas.

On motion resolved that we have an exhibition next year and that definite action be taken at our next meeting.

On motion resolved that the paper 'Country Gentleman' be furnished the members at the same rate as last year.
On motion resolved that we adjourn to meet again at notice by the
Pres. W Wetmore
Directors for 1891 then stand as follows: –

D P Wetmore, Clifton
Norman Puddington, Moss Glen
A B White, White's Mills
R C Williams, Long Reach
Geo G Erb, Scribner PO
Edwin J Peters, Elmhurst
Hedley V Dickson, Nawwigewauk
John Frost, Hampton
N E Gorham, Long Reach
R W Wetmore, Clifton
E H Merritt, Moss Glen
Henry Redmore, Whitehead
Jos H Gorham, Greys Mills
Hezekiah Scribner, Scribner PO
Danl. D Northrup, Kingston
Capt. Shampier, Kingston
Cunningham Brien, Moss Glen

Meeting of Directors of Agricultural Society for Dist. No 23 held at Clifton Jan 15th 1891
Meeting opened as usual by President, there were present:

J H Gorham
A B White
Capt. Shampier
R W Wetmore
D D Northrup
N N Puddington
R C Williams
John Frost

The members then had considerable discussion in regard to chemical fertilizer and after some deliberation decided that it was better as a general rule to use the raw material and mix it here than to use Carritte (ready mixed).

On motion resolved that the minutes of last meeting be received and placed on fyle. The Secr. then read the Secr. Treas report of transactions 1890 (corrected) and it was resolved that it be received and placed in the auditors hands.

On motion resolved that a committee be appointed to prepare a premium list for the exhibition in the fall 1891.

The president then appointed Capt. Shampier, Joseph Gorham, R W Wetmore.
On motion resolved that a Comm. of three be appointed to see about purchasing fertilizers and to arrange as to quantity &c.

On motion resolved that the Pres. be one of the comm. and also Capt. Shampier and the Secr.

The Secr. then read a statement of amounts due the Society from 1890 and account with treasurer.

On motion resolved that the Old Union Agr Society accounts be placed in a magistrates hands for collection.

On motion resolved that we adjourn. O W Wetmore, secr.

Meeting of Directors of Agricultural Society held at Kingston March 13th 1891
Opened by President as usual, minutes were read and confirmed.

The comm. on fertilizer reported that they had purchased raw material enough to mix 20 tons of fertilizer and that it was a shade cheaper than last year. The report was agreeable to the directors. There was considerable discussion as to the best way of using the chemicals.

The comm. appointed to arrange prize lists for the exhibition then reported that they had arranged a list to the best of their judgment. It was then read by sections and the changes from other years explained. It was agreed to with some slight change, especially on regard to butter.

On motion resolved that a committee be appointed to arrange for ground for the exhibition of cattle and horses and to arrange a place for tieing them to.

Pres. appointed Joseph H Gorham, D D Northrup, W Lee Nutter.

On motion resolved that delegates be appointed to attend the Prov. Farmers Assn. R W Wetmore, John Frost, Capt. Shampier, Joseph Gorham, O W Wetmore are appointed.

On motion resolved that the expenses of O W Wetmore be paid by the society if he would attend.

On motion resolved that an arrangement be made with W F Burditt & Co about getting implements as in other years.

On motion resolved that we adjourn. O W Wetmore,
Secr.Directors present at meeting March 13 1891:

E J Peters
N W Puddington
Capt. Shampier
D D Northrup
R C Williams
W Lee Nutter
Joseph Gorham
R W Wetmore
O W Wetmore

Members of Ag Society for 1891

No	Name	Address	No	Name	Address
1	N N Puddington	Moss Glen	29	Deveber Lyon	Kingston
2	C W A Puddington	Moss Glen	30	D P Wetmore	Clifton
3	C Brien	Moss Glen	31	Gilbert D Upham	Upham
4	Joseph Evans	Moss Glen	32	Thomas Dixon	Nawwigewauk
5	Geo Brien	Moss Glen	33	S Z Dixon	Nawwigewauk
6	Joseph Hatty	Moss Glen	34	Albert Lamb	Perry Point
7	C H Merritt	Moss Glen	35	Sandall Lamb	Perry Point
8	Robert Harrity	Moss Glen	36	H V Dickson	Nawwigewauk
9	Wm Cronk	Moss Glen	37	Arthur Fairweather	Hampton
10	H D Wetmore	Clifton	38	E J Peters	Elmhurst
11	G H Flewelling	Clifton	39	John O Dann	Piercetown
12	R W Wetmore	Clifton	40	Sha Cosman	Kingston
13	M W Flewelling	Clifton	41	Jacob Vanwart	Elmhurst
14	J E Wetmore	Clifton	42	Stephen Kierstead	Kingston
15	David Jones	Kingston	43	Leonard Crawford	Kingston
16	W Fred Flewelling	Clifton	44	Charles Dixon	Kingston
17	Rev D I Wetmore	Clifton	45	Wm Vanwart	Long Reach
18	Capt. Shamper	Kingston	46	N E Gorham	Long Reach
19	D D Northrup	Kingston	47	Eli S Northrup	Kingston
20	Adin Shamper	Kingston	48	John G Paddock	Kingston
21	H Scribner	Scribner PO	49	A B White	Whitehead
22	Lee Nutter	Urquhart PO	50	Seymore Urquhart	Tooleton, Kars
23	John Frost	Hampton	51	Abharam Pickett	Tooleton, Kars
24	Geo Chaloner	Kingston	52	E Waddell	Clifton
25	R C Williams	Long Reach	53	James Urquhart	Kars
26	W Wetmore	Clifton	54	Whitfield Palmer	Tenants Cove
27	Joseph Gorham	Kingston	55	Forest Cosman	Kingston
28	Henry Bramen	Urquhart PO	56	Theodore Holder	Long Reach

No	Name	Address
57	Judson White	Long Reach
58	Charles Crawford	Long Reach
59	James W Williams	Long Reach
60	James E Fairweather	Hampton
61	Joseph Long	Milkish
62	Thomas Long	Lands End
63	Geo Currie	Lands End
64	Wm Cunningham	Lands End
65	James R White	White's Mills
66	Reubeb Lyon	Elmsdale
67	Geo Kierstead	Elmsdale
68	Wm Hazen	Kingston
69	Wesley Nutter	Urquhart PO
70	Jesse Jones	Urquhart PO
71	Geo W Ganong	Scribner PO
72	Henry Ganong	Scribner PO
73	Frank Erb	Scribner PO
74	H Redmore	Whitehead
75	W J Giggy	Whitehead
76	G J Coulter White	Hampton
77	Geo G Erb	Long Point
78	Geo Henderson	Rothesay
79	John McFarland	Whitehead
80	Wm Haslett	Whitehead
81	Chas Foster	Kingston
82	E Kirkpatrick	Gondola Point
83	Albert Millar	Centreton
84	Wm Ganong	Scribner PO
85	Robert Sheldrick	Kingston
86	G Merritt	Moss Glen
87	Hedley White	Long Reach
88	C Albert Belyea	Long Reach
89	Hewbert Pitt	Urquhart PO
90	M Wright Flewelling	Clifton
91	John Rogers	Grey's Mills
92	John Hill	Kingston
93	Wm Carvill	Long Reach
94	Baird William	Long Reach
95	de B Canitty	Water St. St. John
96	Geo Bruce	Kingston
97	Philo A Northrup	Kingston
98	Kirk Nichols	Long Reach
99	Robert Gilliland	Perry Point

Agricultural Society in account with D P Wetmore, Treasurer
1890

		brought from page 149		$126.97
Dec	12	to cash paid W F Burditt & Co	$32.00	
	15	to cash paid W F Burditt & Co	$43.07	
	15	by government draft		$165.00
	15	to " " paid Carritte	$165.00	
	15	by cash rec. on fertilizer		$183.10
		" by cash rec. on implements 1890		$16.00
		by cash rec on account of 1889 to date		$28.40
		by cash rec. from D D Northrup (Hall Rent)		$3.50
		by cash rec. for subscription to les gentlemen		$20.00
		by cash rec. for subscription to Society		$21.00
			$240.07	$563.97
		by balance on hand cash		$323.90

end of 1890 account

1891 Agricultural Society in account with D P Wetmore

Jan	1	to cash paid for 12 copies of les Gentleman	1	$18.00	
	3	to cash paid De B Carritte (note)	1.3	$126.55	
	3	to cash " Capt. Shamper on note	1.67	$350.00	
Mar	1	to cash " Justus Pickett (collecting)	2	$1.15	
	1	to cash " cartage on chem from Rothesay	3	$7.70	
Apr	1	to cash " De B Carritte (note)	3.5	$91.67	
"	10	by cash recd on account 1890			$230.38
	"	by cash " on account 1889			$15.59
	"	by cash " on account 1888 Old Union			$15.71
	"	by cash " on implements 1890			$16.57
		by cash " for fees 1891			$50.00
		by cash " for chemicals 1891			$68.44
		to cash pd Carritte May 28th	4	$30.00	
		to cash pd Carritte Apr 10th	5	$40.00	
				$665.07	
				$665.07	$720.59
		by cash balance on hand			$55.52
		By cash supl. to les gent. 12 copies			$12.00
June	8	to cash to M. Wright F weighing & delivery	6	$6.70	
April	13	to postage & [?] to date	7	$2.47	
		to rent of building storing chem. funding shovels, the kits &c seals	8	$6.00	
				$680.24	$732.59

(carried to page 173)

1891 Ag Society in acct with D P Wetmore after June 8th 1891

		brought foreward		$680.24	$732.59
Mar	13	to cash pd freight on chemicals	9	$4.50	
Apr		to cash pd mixing chemicals	10	$1.00	
June	1	to cash pd postage to date	11	$0.38	
March		to cash N Puddington in hauling from Rothesay	12	$1.00	
June	4	to cash to W Fred Flewelling hauling	13	$1.00	
May	25	to cash pd hauling Upham [?]	14	$0.25	
	"	" to freight on 'Clifton' on Amonia		$0.25	
May	1	by cash loan from Mrs Cosman			$300.00
	"	" to cash to Prov. Chem	15	$300.00	
June8	to	25:3 cent stamps @ 25 postal service	16	$1.00	
	15	to cash for paper & envelopes	17	$0.62	
	29	to one cent stamps per bill	18	$0.50	
	29	to Rev D I Wetmore printing bill	19	$3.50	
	23	to Wright Flewelling bill weighing delivery	20	$1.00	
July	14	By cash from D D Northrup			
		rent of Hall to date			$4.00
		to cash freight on 'Clifton'	21	$0.50	

Aug 10	to cash to Capt Shamper to pay note	22	$150.00	
Aug 24	to cash to retire chemical note per order	23	$301.90	
Sept 4	to 25 postal cards per bill	24	$0.25	
19	to cash to Capt Shamper to pay note	25	$100.00	
Sept 21	to 2 Quires note paper @ 12	26	$0.24	
Oct 26	by cash on work of 1890 to date			$33.09
	by cash on work of 1891 notes 189.64 acct 297.54			$487.18
	by cash on fees of 1891 to date			$50.00
Sept 28	to 25 postal cards per bill	27	$0.25	
Oct 1	to printing extra premium list	28	$0.60	
1	to printing notice stock sale	29	$0.50	
2	to 12 three cent stamps	30	$0.36	
Nov 11	to allowance	31	$13.25	$874.27
			$898.02	$941.79
Nov 11	by balance			$(43.77)
	carried to page 187			

[A piece of paper has been glued on page 174. It is a transaction statement for 1890.

Agricultural Society for District No 23
Transactions of 1890

Income			
	Balance from last year	$30.27	
	Provincial Grant	$165.00	
	sale of Implements	$74.42	
	sale of fertilizers	$1,086.14	
	subscriptions	$100.00	
	other sources (Co Gent rents hall)	$23.50	
		$1,479.33	$1,479.33
	expenditure		
	for fertilizer	$1,264.53	
	for implements	$75.07	
	for allowance to officers	$13.25	
	for other expenses	$33.52	
		$1,386.37	$1,386.31
			$92.96
	(added) in due Shamper note		$42.00
	balance		$150.76

[note along the side:] there is an error in this DPW

Standing of Agricultural Society No 23 on Dec 15 1890

assets		debits	
cash on hand	$323.90	due Prov. Chem Co to note	$126.55
due on secr acct for 1890	$321.48	due Prov. Chem Co to note	$96.67
due on " " 1889	$105.87	due Capt. Shamper (money loan)	$600.00
due by members Old Union	$83.35	due Capt. Shamper interest	$42.00
due on implements 1890		by members	$865.20
	$36.07		
	$870.67		
balance net	$5.45	the balance would be a little less than this because some accts are bad.	

Value of Property & description

Agricultural Hall at Kingston & lot
cost price including expenses $250.00
present value $300.00

Meeting of the directors of the Ag Society for No 23 in the Hall at Clifton June 8th 1891

W Wetmore's resignation as sec. was accepted, he being absent in a foreign country. After some discussion D P Wetmore was elected as sec. He to send an assistant if he could not attend meetings. Mr D P Wetmore stated that he had taken it upon himself to order 3 bbl of superphosphate (Reid's) & had also ordered some ammonia & potash from Prov. Chem Co. to even up lots. Agreed to by meeting.

The President stated that he had loan of $300.00 from Mrs. Cosman to pay Prov. Chem. Co. on May 1st. After some discussion concerning premium list the secr. was directed to write secr of Agriculture & ask why it was delegated in F'ton. Directors present at this meeting:

R C Williams, President, R W Wetmore, N V Dickson, E J Peters, D D Northrup, D P Wetmore, Jos H Gorham, Norman Puddington, Capt. Shamper

On motion resolved that a comm. be appointed to make a selection of Judges for exhibition. On motion resolved that the president be one of this committee. The pres. then appointed Capt. Shamper, Jos H Gorham with the pres. R C Williams

On motion moved and seconded that the time of the exhibition be the Wednesday nearest the 10th of Oct. Moved as an amendment that the time be left to the president & secretary. On motion resolved that the grounds comm. be authorized to put the grounds & Hall in order for exhibition. On motion resolved that a comm. of

management of exhibition be appointed. Pres. appointed R W Wetmore, Hedley Dixon, E J Peters for inside of hall & Capt. Shamper, Norman Puddington & D D Wetmore for management of outside, with power to help needed. On motion resolved that the pres. & secr. patch up any odds & ends that are necessary.

Meeting adjourned David Pickett Wetmore, sec.

Meeting of Directors of Ag Society at Kingston Sept. 19th 1891

Mr Upham [?] through N V Dixon that the fertilizer that was sent was unmixed & that not knowing this circumstance he used the fertilizer as it came & got no result. On motion the society accepted [?] in payment for the amount $18.86.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

After considerable discussion a number of persons were named for Judges at the exhibition & the secr was requested to write them.

Thorough bred cattle, swine		S S Hall & A C Fairweather (except on Jerseys)
	steers	Daniel McDougall
	Grade Cattle	Miles N Fowler, Grooms Cove Hampton
	Sheep	Miles N Fowler & Daniel McDougall
	Horses	J B Hamm, St John & Mr Manchester vet surgeon
		St John (could not come)
	Agricultural Produce	S L Peters, Queenstown
	Hort. Produce	W N Sterritt, Greys Mills
	Dairy Produce	W H Merritt (didn't) or Daniel Vanwart (accepted)
		207 Charlotte St or John Armstrong of Armstrong Bros.
	Woolen Articles	Miss Anabelle McDougal (accepted)
	Poultry	Miss Anabelle McDougal & Mrs. Chas Whiting

After some further discussion concerning fertilizer during which the secr. was requested, by the Pres., to act as a comm. to ascertain the cheapest manner of getting the raw material, the meeting was adjourned.

DP Wetmore

Meeting of the Directors of the Agricultural Society for No 23 at Clifton Hall on Oct. 1st 1891, for the purpose of considering the question of sending a delegate to the Gov. stock sale at F'ton on Oct 7th

Present: RC Williams, president
DD Northrup, 1st vice president
EJ Peters, 2nd vice president
DP Wetmore, sec & treas
C Brien
Norman Puddington RW Wetmore NE Gorham

On motion resolved that a delegate be sent to the stock sale at F'ton on the 7th inst. Moved and seconded that RW Wetmore be the delegate. Mr Wetmore stated that he could not go & the motion was withdrawn.

Moved and seconded that Edwin J Peters be the delegate. Carried

On motion resolved that the Pres. R W Wetmore, DD Northrup & Norman Puddington be a committee to purchase some stock at the exhibition if found desirable & to have it sold there.

On motion adjourned
DP Wetmore

The following prizes were awarded at the Exhibition of Ag Society No 23 held at Kingston Oct. 7 1891

	Capr Wm Shamper, Kingston		
	Best bull, 2 years old & upwards (jersey)	$3.00	
	sow under 1 year (berkshire) 1st $3.00 & 2nd 2.00	$5.00	
2nd	brood mare	$3.00	
2nd	pea beans	$1.00	
1st	kidney potatoes	$1.00	
2nd	Empire state potatoes	$0.60	
1st	turnip beets	$1.00	
1st	early squash	$1.00	
2nd	3 heads cabbage	$0.75	
		$16.35	$16.35
	E H Merritt, Moss Glen		
	Dairy cow Jersey (1st $4. & 2nd $2.50)	$6.50	
1st	Heifer calf (jersey)	$2.50	
2nd	Heifer calf (jersey)	$1.00	
1st	packed butter	$1.50	
1st	rolled butter	$1.50	
(10 lbs packed by his daughter Lulu AC Fairweather prize ½ sovereign)		$13.00	$13.00

	Sandal L Lamb, Perrys Point		
1st	yearling Heifer (Jersey)	$2.00	
1st	Heifer calf "	$1.50	
2nd	sucking colt	$1.00	
		$4.50	$4.50
	Wm Hazen, Kingston		
1st	snowflake potatoes	$1.00	
1st	bull 2 yrs grade	$2.50	
2nd	steer 4 yrs	$2.50	
1st	yearling Heifer grade	$1.50	
1st	steer 2 yrs	$2.00	
1st	steer calves	$1.00	
1st	ram lamb (grade)	$1.75	
1st	10 yds yarn carpet	$2.00	
		$14.25	$14.25
	John Frost, Hampton		
1st	bull over 2 yrs (Ayrshire)	$3.00	
	Dairy Cow (Ayrshire) 1st $4. & 2nd $2.50	$6.50	
1st	Bull calf	$1.50	
1st	heifer calf	$1.50	
2nd	yearling heifer (grade)	$1.00	
2nd	steers 3 yrs	$1.75	
1st	steers 1 yr	$1.00	
2nd	ram over 1 yr (grade)	$1.50	
2nd	ram lamb "	$1.00	
1st	ewe over 1 yr "	$2.00	
2nd	colt 3 yrs	$2.00	
2nd	white oats	$0.60	
2nd	stock potatoes	$0.60	
2nd	stock carrots	$0.60	
1st	packed butter	$1.50	
	sweepstakes packed B	$3.00	
1st	Plymouth Rocks	$1.00	
		$30.05	$30.05
	G J Coulter White, Hampton		
2nd	filly 2 yrs old	$1.25	$1.25
	Charles Foster, Kingston		
	Dairy Cow (Devon) 1st $3. & 2nd $2.25	$5.25	
1st	heifer 2 yrs "	$2.00	
1st	bull calf grade	$1.00	
2nd	heifer 2 yrs "	$1.25	
2nd	ewe grade	$1.50	
2nd	3 early squash	$0.75	

1st	packed butter	$1.50	
		$13.25	$13.25
	David Jones, Kingston		
1st	bull 1 yr Grade	$1.75	
2nd	dozen ears yellow corn	$0.60	
1st	maple sugar	$1.00	
		$3.35	$3.35
	Hezekiah Scribner, Scribner P.O.		
2nd	bull 1 year grade	$1.00	
2nd	steers 1 year	$1.00	
1st	10 yds white flannel (wool)	$2.00	
1st	pair horse rugs	$2.00	
1st	men's socks	$0.50	
		$6.50	$6.50
	John Hill, Kingston		
1st	Dairy Cow grade	$3.00	
1st	stallion	$5.00	
1st	packed Butter	$1.50	
		$9.50	$9.50
	R W Wetmore, Clifton		
2nd	Dairy Cow grade	$2.25	
1st	heifer calf	$1.00	
1st	dozen ears yellow corn	$0.80	
1st	early rose potatoes	$1.00	
1st	hebron potatoes	$1.00	
1st	roll butter	$1.50	
		$7.55	$7.55
	D D Northrup, Kingston		
2nd	heifer calf grade	$0.75	
1st	filly 3 yrs	$3.00	
2nd	maple syrup	$0.75	
1st	packed butter	$1.50	
		$6.00	$6.00
	R Gilliland, Kingston		
1st	steers 4 yrs		
		$4.00	$4.00
	Geo W Ganong, Scribner P.O.		
2nd	ewe lamb	$1.00	
2nd	geese	$0.80	

Henry Ganong, Scribner P.O.

1st	steers 3 yrs	$3.00	
1st	colt 2 yrs	$2.00	
2nd	yarn carpet	$1.00	
2nd	hearth rug	$0.75	
1st	common geese	$1.00	
		$7.75	$7.75

John O Dann, Pierston

2nd	steer calves	$0.75	
1st	stock carrots	$0.75	
1st	roll butter	$1.50	
2nd	men's mittens	$0.30	
2nd	1 lb coloured yarn	$0.50	
		$3.80	$3.80

P A Northrup, Kingston

1st	pumpkins	$0.75	
1st	best ram grade	$2.00	
1st	sow under 1 yr grade	$2.00	
1st	colt 3 yrs	$3.00	
1st	pea beans	$1.50	
		$9.25	$9.25

L G Crawford, Kingston

1st	ewe lamb grade	$1.75	
1st	grey buckwheat	$1.00	
1st	roll butter	$1.50	
		$4.25	$4.25

Jos H Gorham, Greys Mills

1st	boar over 1 year (berkshire)	$3.50	
1st	sow 1 yr	$3.50	
1st	1 doz ears sweet corn	$0.80	
1st	empire state potatoes	$1.00	
1st	maple syrup	$1.00	
1st	early apples	$2.00	
		$11.80	$11.80

Edwin J Peters, Elmhurst

1st	boar 1 yr grade	$2.00	
1st	tomatoes	$0.75	
1st	1 lb white yarn	$0.75	
1st	turkeys	$1.00	
		$4.50	$4.50

	S Z Dickson, Nawwigewauk		
1st	brood mare	$5.00	
1st	colt 1 yr	$1.50	
		$6.50	$6.50
	Baird Williams, Long Reach		
2nd	filly 3 yrs	$2.00	
2nd	barley	$1.00	
2nd	sweet corn	$0.60	
2nd	pk tomatoes	$0.50	
1st	Hondan Fowls	$1.00	
		$5.10	$5.10
	Robert Sheldrick, Kingston		
1st	filly 2 yrs	$2.00	$2.00
	G Merritt, Moss Glen		
1st	filly 1 yr	$1.50	$1.50
	Wm Carvill, Long Reach		
2nd	filly 1 yr	$1.00	$1.00
	Geo Bruce, Kingston		
2nd	pumpkins	$0.50	
2nd	colt 2 yr	$1.25	
2nd	colt 1 yr	$1.00	
1st	winter squash	$1.00	
1st	1 lb coloured yarn	$0.75	
2nd	swedish turnip	$0.60	
		$5.10	$5.10
	Geo Chaloner, Kingston		
1st	sucking colt	$1.50	$1.50
	L D Lyon, Kingston		
1st	white oats	$1.00	
2nd	kidney potatoes	$0.60	
2nd	snowflake potatoes	$0.60	
2nd	onions	$1.00	
1st	woolen stockings	$0.50	
		$3.70	$3.70
	E S Northrup, Kingston		
2nd	grey buckwheat	$0.60	
2nd	rough buckwheat	$0.30	
2nd	winter squash	$0.75	

1st	knit scarf	$0.75	
		$2.40	$2.40
	Forest Cosman, Kingston		
1st	rough buckwheat	$0.50	
2nd	ducks	$0.40	
		$0.90	$0.90
	R C Williams, Kingston		
1st	barley	$1.00	
1st	long blood beets	$0.75	
1st	winter apples	$3.00	
1st	roll butter	$1.50	
	sweepstakes on roll butter	$3.00	
2nd	men's socks	$0.30	
		$9.55	$9.55
	Joh Paddock, Kingston		
2nd	early rose potatoes	$0.60	
2nd	table carrots	$0.50	
2nd	turnip beets	$0.50	
		$1.60	$1.60
	D P Wetmore, Clifton		
2nd	hebron potatoes	$0.60	
1st	granular butter	$2.00	
1st	hens	$0.75	
		$3.35	$3.35
	John Rogers, Greys Mills		
1st	swede turnips	$1.00	
1st	parsnips	$1.00	
1st	mittens	$0.50	
		$2.50	$2.50
	H D Wetmore, Clifton		
1st	table carrots	$0.75	
2nd	parsnips	$0.50	
1st	onions	$1.50	
		$2.75	$2.75

	Jacob Vanwart, Greys Mills		
1st	bees honey in comb	$1.00	
1st	stock carrots	$0.75	
2nd	10 yds rag carpet	$1.00	
2nd	woolen stockings	$0.30	
		$3.05	$3.05
	J E Wetmore, Clifton		
2nd	early apples	$1.00	$1.00
	Hubert Pitt, Urquahart W.O.		
2nd	winter apples	$2.00	$2.00
	Adino Shamper, Kingston		
1st	plums	$2.00	$2.00
	Stephen Kierstead, Kingston		
1st	3 head cabbage	$1.00	$1.00
	Seymore Urquahart, Tooleton, Kars		
1st	10 yds rag carpet	$2.00	$2.00
	Rev D I Wetmore, Clifton		
1st	hearth rug	$1.00	$1.00
	Shaloe Cosman, Kingston		
2nd	hens	$0.40	
1st	ducks	$0.75	
		$1.15	$1.15
			$235.35
		less 20% op	$47.07
			$188.28

each of the above persons was only paid 80 per cent or 188.29 was paid out in all

Agricultural Society No 23 in account with

brought from page 173		$1,563.09	$1,606.86

1891 D P Wetmore Secr. Treas.

Nov 11	by Provincial Grant per check			$136.00
	sent check for grant & order on Geo S W for 44.00 to M Wright Flewelling assistant sec. Nov 11 1891			
" 21	to 14 three cent stamps & envelopes	32	$0.52	
" 25	to cash &c pd W F Burditt & Co for implements	33	$109.74	

Dec	8	to post office order & stamps	34	$0.53	
	"	to cash to fertilizer Co per P.O. order	34 ½	$100.00	
	12	to D I Wetmore for printing notices for ann. meeting	35	$0.40	
	31	to expenses attending Gov. sale	36	$3.96	
"	"	by receipts for implements sold this year			$104.74
1892					
Jan	1	by cash from Chas Nichols for plow			$14.00
		to premiums from exhibition in Oct 37		$188.28	
		to cash for poles for exhibition grounds	38	$1.00	
		to cash for work on exhibition grounds	39	$4.49	
		to cash for Judges dinner &c	40	$10.46	
		by cash receipts on notes & accts for fertilizer from Oct 27 1891 to Jan 1 1892 per sm. book			$137.48
Dec	31	(1891) by cash receipts from work 1889 per book			$32.27
				$1,982.47	$2,031.35
Dec	31	by balance at time of report for 1891			$48.88
Jan	8	to premium on money order & postage	1	$1.34	
Jan	6	to cash to Capt. Shamper on acct. note	2	$35.00	
Feb	8	to cash to Prov Chemical Fert. Co	3	$61.82	
Mar	19	to cash paper & stamps	4	$0.62	
Mar	24	to cash to Capt. Shamper on acct. note	5	$20.00	
Mar	28	to freight on 50 bbl bone meal to Rothesay	6	$5.70	
April	13	to cash to Prov Chemical Fert. Co to retire note	7	$101.50	
"	20	to cash to Gilbert Wetmore hauling chemicals	8	$2.00	
"	26	to cash to J E Wetmore storing chemicals	9	$0.53	
May	20	to cash to Mrs Cosman 1 yr interest on 300.00 note	10	$18.00	
Sept	3	to cash to Turnbull & Co 325.00 twenty day draft [?]	11	$657.98	
				$904.49	$48.88

Directors Meeting of Ag Society No 23 held just before the annual meeting in the Hall at Clifton Dec 22 1891.

The Sec. being absent in U.S.,[?] his assistant read the minutes of the last meeting. Moved by Capt. Shamper & carried that each one present who promised to make up deficit pay .15 cents to make up $1. & that the secr. collect the four not paid. (this practically lets the sec. pay the $4.00 lacking D P W)

Five then paid making up .90 cents [?] Capt. Shamper, John Frost, DD Northrup, R W Williams & Jos Gorham.

Moved by J Frost seconded by Capt Shamper that the report be received & reported to the auditor: – carried

Moved by J Frost seconded by Capt Shamper that R W Wetmore be auditor: – Carried Bills rendered for expenses at exhibition amounted to $16.40 were ordered to be paid. There were three bills, one from D D Northrup, one from Geo Chaloner & one from A Whelpley. Resolved that the premium list be paid as the secretary had it arranged, that is with 20% discount on account of the premiums drawn being more than the law allowed.

Adjourned
signed M Wright
Flewelling, assistant
Secretary

Annual Meeting of the Agricultural Society No 23 at Clifton Hall Dec. 22 1891
Resolved that a new society be organized. (Remarks by DPW sec. A new society could not be organized unless there were at least 50 members & $100 paid so movement was premature)

The twelve present elected Directors as follows: – DP Wetmore, NW Puddington, AB White, EJ Peters, HV Dickson, John Frost, RW Wetmore, H Redmore, EH Merritt, JH Gorham, Hezekiah Scribner, DD Northrup, Capt Shamper, C Brien, RC Williams, Geo Erb, SL Lamb, Chas Foster, HD Wetmore, Lee Nutter, & JO Dann.

On motion resolved that the country gentleman be furnished members at $1. Per ann as previous the society losing the balance.

On motion resolved that the committee on fertilizer be RC Williams, HV Dickson, Capt Shamper & DP Wetmore.

On motion resolved that the committee on stock be John Frost, E H Merritt & Jos Gorham.

On motion meeting adjourned sign M Wright Flewelling, assistant secretary

At a meeting of the new directors same date as above, the following officers were elected. RC Williams, president, Capt Shamper 1st vice president, Chas Foster 2nd vice president, DP Wetmore sec & treas. Sign M Wright Flewelling, assistant secretary

(As the work at the annual meeting would not be valid because the society was not organized according to law, it would be well when the society is fully organized to either confirm the above business or do it over anew. If this were not done it might make trouble if we attempt to collect debts by law DPW)

List members Agricultural Society 1892 brought

No	Name	Address	Fee
1	D.P. Wetmore	Clifton	$10.00 pd.
2	R.W.Wetmore	Clifton	$2.00 pd
3	Wm Shamper	Kingston	$3.00 pd
4	P. A. Northrup	Kingston	$1.00 pd
5	John Hornbrook	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
6	C. Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
7	Jos. N. Gorham	Greys Mills	$3.00 pd
8	Jas. E. Wetmore	Clifton	$1.00 pd
9	Geo. L. Johnston	Bayswater	$1.00 pd
10	Wm. McColgan	Sea Dog Cove	$1.00 pd
11	Saml Erb	Long Point	$1.00 pd
12	Kezekiah Scribner	Scribner's P.O.	$1.00 pd
13	Hurbert Pitt	Urquaharts P.O	$1.00 pd
14	Wm. Cronk	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
15	H.D.Wetmore	Clifton	$2.00 pd
16	Fred Wood	Carters Point	$4.00 pd
17	W.J.Giggy	Whitehead	$1.00 pd
18	John Frost	Hampon	$1.00 pd
19	Geo. G. Erb	Long Point	$1.00 pd
20	James Smith	Long Point	$1.00 pd
21	Gilbert D Upham	Upham Station	$1.00 pd
22	Alex Rogers	Scribner	$1.00
23	C D Fairweather	Kingston	$1.00
24	Chas W Ganong	Scribner	$1.00
25	Thomas Long	Longs Cove	$1.00 pd
26	Robert Buckley	Lands End	$1.00 pd
27	Wm Ganong	Longs Cove	$1.00 pd
28	Joseph Long	Milkish	$1.00 pd
29	Thos Morris	Milkish	$1.00 pd
30	H V Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00 pd
31	John Harrity	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
32	Geo Currie	Milkish	$1.00 pd
33	W L Worden	Milkish	$1.00 pd
34	E S White	White's Mills	$1.00 pd
35	A B White	White's Mills	$1.00 pd
36	Wm Cunningham	Milkish	$1.00 pd
37	George Henderson	Rothesay	$2.00 pd
38	Alex Catheline	Centreton	$1.00 pd
39	D D Northrup	Kingston	$1.00 pd
40	Henry Redmore	Whitehead	$1.00 pd
41	Thos Martin	Sea Dog Cove	$1.00 pd
42	Wm Haslett	Whitehead	$1.00 pd
43	John Miller	Centreton	$1.00 pd

No	Name	Address	Fee
44	Ed Waddell	Clifton	$1.00 pd
45	Norman Puddington	Clifton	$1.00 pd
46	G A Worden	Perry's Point	$1.00 pd
47	Geo Buckley	Gondola Point	$1.00
48	W J Thompson	Perry's Point	$1.00 pd
49	S L Lamb	Perry's Point	$1.00 pd
50	J Lee Flewelling	Gondola Point	$1.00 pd
51	Aubrey Northrup	Kingston	$1.00
52	W Kirk	Sea Dog Cove	$1.00 pd
53	John McFarland	Whitehead	$1.00 pd
54	Geo A Brien	Moss Glen	$1.00
55	P W Dann	Scribner	$1.00
56	L D Lyon	Kingston	$1.00 pd
57	M F Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00 pd
58	Joseph McColgan		$1.00 pd
59	James Ganong	Long Reach	$1.00 pd
60	Hedley White	Long Reach	$1.00
61	Bayard Williams	Long Reach	$1.00
62	Jordan White	Long Reach	$1.00
63	R C Williams	Long Reach	$1.00 pd
64	Jas D Williams	Long Reach	$1.00 pd
65	R E Lyon	Grey Mills	$1.00 pd
66	M Wright Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00 pd
67	Jas Baxter	Carters Point	$1.00 pd
68	Chas Foster	Kingston	$1.00
69	John G Paddock	Kingston	$1.00
70	Henry Ganong	Urquahart	$1.00 pd
71	E H Merritt	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
72	G Merritt	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
73	Albert Miller	White's Mills	$1.00
74	Geo W Ganong	Scribner	$1.00
75	Jos Hatty	Moss Glen	$1.00
76	John McCann	Sea Dog Cove	$1.00 pd
77	Chas Dixon	Kingston	$1.00 pd
78	Richard Wagner	Lands End	$1.00 pd
79	Wm Logan	Gondola Point	$1.00
80	L J Almon	Rothesay	$1.00 pd
81	Thos P Dixon	Nawwigewauk	$1.00 pd
82	Lee Nutter	Urquahart	$1.00 pd
83	Joseph Evans	Clifton	$1.00 pd
84	M W Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00 pd
85	Arthur Fairweather	Hampton	$1.00 pd
86	Jas E Fairweather	Hampton	$1.00 pd
87	S Z Dickson	Nawwigewauk	$1.00 pd

No	Name	Address	Fee
88	E J Peters	Elmhurst	$1.00 pd
89	Daniel Dobson	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
90	John O Dann	Pierston	$1.00 pd
91	Geo Holder	Holderville	$1.00 pd
92	Samuel Kingston	Moss Glen	$1.00 pd
93	Jacob Vanwart	Grey Mills	$1.00 pd
94	G H Flewelling	Clifton	$1.00 pd

Annual Meeting Agricultural Society No 23 (continued from last fall)
After a good deal of discussion the Society was organized by there being $100. raised or guaranteed & more than 50 names.

On motion resolved that the work done on Dec 22 1891 when it was attempted to organize a Society be confirmed & that the directors then elected be the directors of the Society for 1892.

On motion resolved that the sec. be authorized to purchase about fourty tons of fertilizers for the society on the best terms he can get & sell to members as can be best arranged.

Meeting adjourned, DP Wetmore

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We the undersigned members of the Agricultural Society No 23 agree to make up the deficiency proportionately in case the fees do not come up to $100 for 1892. Clifton Kings Co., Mar 24 1892

RC Williams, William Shamper, Charles Foster, D P Wetmore, Gabriel Merritt, R W Wetmore, H V Dickson, N Puddington, S L Lamb, E H Merritt.

Transactions of Society for 1891

income	**cash**	**due acct**	**total**
balance cash in Society hands following previous year	$323.90		$323.90
sale implements	$135.31	$12.20	$147.51
sale fertilizer	$1,020.14	$352.65	$1,372.79
sale ag paper Co Gent	$12.00		$12.00
provincial grant	$136.00		$136.00
borrowed	$300.00		$300.00
subscription 1891	$100.00		$100.00
rent of Hall	$4.00		$4.00
	$2,031.35	$364.85	$2,396.20
balance cash in treas. hands at end of year	$48.88		

property of society	**cost**	**value**
ag Hall & lot Kingston	$250.00	$300.00

expenditures	**cash pd**	**due by society**	**total**
on fertilizers & expenses	$1,019.02	$163.32	$1,182.34
implements	$109.74		$109.74
paid money borrowed of Capt. Shamper all but interest	$600.00	$355.00	$955.00
pd for Agricultural paper Country Gentleman	$18.00		$18.00
postage & printing	$7.12		$7.12
expenses collecting	$1.15		$1.15
allowance to officers	$13.25		$13.25
expenses delegates to stock sale	$3.96		$3.96
expenses exhibition & premiums	$210.23		$210.23
	$1,982.47	$518.32	$2,500.79
balance due by society if all bills were paid Dec 31 1891			$104.59

Turnbull & Co St John
in acct with Ag Society No 23
1892

Mar	29	by 50 bbl bone meal per bill		$159.60
April	25	by fertilizer per bill this date		$864.66
		to note 5 months due Sept 9 1892	$400.00	
		to note 8 months due Dec 9 1892	$408.06	
		by interest or disc on notes		$31.34
May	4	by chemicals per bill		$131.09
"	13	by chemicals per bill		$84.05
"	1	by interest to date per Merses T & Co		$7.98
June	29	by chemicals per bill		$48.37
Sept	3	to [light] draft on Geo S W	$325.00	$1,327.09
"	"	to twenty days draft on Geo S W		$332.98
Dec	9	by note due Sept 9th (interest to Dec 9th)		$406.53
"	10	by note due Dec 9th		$408.67
"	"	to note (Dec 9th) due Feb 13th interest	$687.30	
Feb	13	by note (due this date)(retired by Turnbull)		$687.30
"	"	to cash Geo E W & Co acceptance	$243.99	
"	"	by note due Apr 17th	$350.00	
April	17	by note due Apr 17th (retired by Turnbull)		$350.00
"	"	by int on renewal two months		$4.20
"	"	to note (two months) to cover above	$354.20	
June	20	by note due Aug 22nd retired by Turnbull		$354.20
"	"	by int on above note (two months)		$4.47
"	"	to note & cash from R J Flewelling to cover above	$358.67	
Aug	22	by note due Aug 22nd retired by Turnbull		$353.67
"	"	to notes by society members given to retire above		

O W Wetmore 156.67	less 2.29 = 154.38		
W A Pitt note 18.12	less .42 = 17.70		
A B White "16.17	less.21 = 15.96		
W E Ganong "21.24	less.27 = 20.97		
A H Upham " 16.08	less .20 = 15.88		
J H Hazen " 16.07	less .20 = 15.87		
J A White " 14.45	less .19 = 14.26		
and cash per Geo S Wetmore		90.00	$345.02

Agricultural Society No 23
In account with D P Wetmore Sec. Treasurer

1892		brought from page 187		$904.49	$48.88
Apr	26	to cash to M Wright Flewelling chem storing & hauling	12	$0.75	
"	"	to cash to A H Flewelling storing fertilizer	13	$1.00	
"	"	to cash O W Wetmore hauling fertilizer	14	$2.25	
"	28	to cash to D I Wetmore printing	15	$1.75	
June	10	to cash for postage stamps	16	$1.20	
"	13	to cash Gilbert Wetmore hauling, storing & delivering fertilizer	17	$18.65	
		to cash sent for 13 copies Country Gentleman	18	$19.50	
		to cash pd for delivery of fertilizer	19	$3.75	
		by cash from sale of 13 copies Co Gent			$13.00
Nov		received from sale of fertilizer to members per fertilizer book for 1892			$755.41
Dec	1	by fees 1892 (not all received yet)			$100.00
		by cash from sale fertilizer in 1891			$98.44
		to allowance to sec & 5% on subscriptions & receipts for year	20	$48.34	
		$966.85 this includes charges for selling, keeping accts, collecting &c			
		by sale implements in 1892			$26.50
				$1,001.68	$1,042.23
		by balance			$40.55
Dec	8	to Capt. Earle bill freight on [?]	6	$22.80	
		to remittance Massy Harris Co to balance	20	$27.00	
"	20	to cash to Smith Pickett for repairing fence	1	$2.00	
1893					
Jan	4	to cash for paper & envelopes, cards & postage	2	$3.65	
		to cash paid for printing invitations [?] at Clifton	3	$2.00	
Jan	21	to cash paid for printing invitations [?] at Elmhurst	4	$0.60	
"	21	to paper envelopes & postage for invitations	5	$1.24	
Jan	28	by cash grant for 1892			$136.00
Feb	13	to cash to Turnbull & Co to retire note	7	$687.30	
	16	to cash to D I Wetmore for notices sale at Hall	8	$0.50	
"		to cash to DPW expenses as delegate F&D assoc	9	$7.63	
"		to cash fees to Farmers & D Assoc	10	$2.00	
Mar	8	to cash pd frt on car amonia to Rothesay	11	$4.80	
	2	to cash pd for envelopes & paper, postage for inv.	12	$0.95	
	1	to cash to J Lee Flewelling for selling Hall	13	$2.00	
				$764.47	$176.55

Transactions for year 1892 to Dec 1 1892

income	**cash**	**due on acct**	**total**
balance from previous year	$48.88		$48.88
Sale implements	$26.50	$13.30	$39.80
subscriptions for 1892	$100.00		$100.00
sale fertilizer	$853.85	$768.08	$1,621.93
sale ag paper Country Gentleman	$13.00		$13.00
	$1,042.23	$781.38	$1,823.61
balance cash on hand Dec 1 1892	$40.55		
expenditures			
fertilizer & expenses	$857.27	$721.57	$1,578.84
implements		$27.00	$27.00
return on money borrowed	$73.00	$310.50	$383.50
postage & printing	$3.57		$3.57
agricultural paper (Co. Gentleman)	$19.50		$19.50
officers allowance	$48.34		$48.34
	$1,001.68	$1,059.07	$2,060.75
balance due by society when all bills are paid			$237.14

Dec 1 1892 the Provincial grant had not been received at this date & the fees for members 1893 are not received & brought into account

[The following statement was written on a seperate sheet affixed to this location.]

By Society

amounts due the society Dec 1 1892		
from members old Union	$52.91	
interest about	$6.00	
	$58.91	$58.91
from transactions 1889	$74.70	
interest about	$9.00	
	$83.70	$83.70
from transactions 1890	$45.36	
interest about	$5.40	
	$50.76	$50.76
transactions 1891	$116.11	
interest about	$15.80	
	$131.91	$131.91
transactions 1892 notes	$203.59	
acct.		$224.16
	$427.75	
interest about	$15.00	
	$442.75	$442.75
		$768.08
implements	$12.00	
interest about	$1.30	
	$13.30	

due by society Dec 1 1892

Mrs. Cosman's note 300 int 10.50	$310.50
note favour Turnbull & Co for treas.	$408.67
due Turnbull & Co on acct with int.	$290.00
	$1,009.17
due Capt Earle freight	$22.90
due Massy Harris Co	$27.00
	$1,059.07

[written sideways is the property statement]

property belonging to Ag Society Dec 1 1892	cost	value
Agricultural Hall & lot Kingston	$250.00	$300.00

Annual Meeting of Ag Society No 23 at the Hall in Kingston. Dec 20 1892
Geo G Erb had got a lot of fertilizer that got injured on the wharf at Long Point by water on which he claimed the society should pay the loss.

Ordered that the sec. write him to come down to the next meeting of the directors & the matter would then be considered.

Moved by DP Wetmore and seconded that fertilizers be procured this year & that they be supplied to the members at not less than costs and charges.
Carried

On motion resolved that 5 per cent discount be allowed on all lots of $20. & more.

On motion resolved that no member be allowed to purchase more than twenty dollars worth of the fertilizer unless he is a subscriber to the funds of the society of at least two dollars & not more than fourty dollars worth unless he is a subscriber to at least three dollars & so on proportionately.

On motion resolved that the Country Gentleman be supplied to members at $1. for 1893.

On motion resolved that the sec. be authorized to make arrangements with dealers to get a discount for members on presentation of members certificate.

On motion resolved that a Farmers Supper & conference be held in the Hall at Clifton on Jan 5 1893. Tea to be on the table at 5 o'clock P.M. sec. to send invitations to members & others.

On motion resolved that Smith Pickett be paid $2.00 for viewing & repairing fence about Hall.

As there was but a small number of members present it was decided not to elect officers until another meeting.

On motion meeting adjourned. DP Wetmore, sec

Subscribers to les Country Gentleman 1893

Captain Shamper, Kingston; D D Northrup, Kingston; John Frost, Hampton; Jos H Gorham, Greys Mills; John O Dann, Pierston; Arthur Fairweather, Hampton; R C Williams, Long Reach; S Z Dickson, Nawwigewauk; H D Wetmore, Clifton; R W Wetmore, Clifton; H V Dickson, Nawwigewauk; E H Merritt, Moss Glen & DP Wetmore, Clifton (all paid their $1.)

Meeting of the Agricultural Society & Farmers Supper at Clifton, Jan 5 1893.
(At this meeting part of the business of the annual meeting was to be done.) About 250 persons present. During the time of supper S L Peters esq. tested 25 samples of milk with a [Babcock] milk tester, results as follows: –

Cow	Owner	% fat
Molly	D P W	5.1
Jessie	R W Wetmore	5.6
Blondie	"	5.06
Brien	"	4.9
Daisy	"	4.7
Skim milk	"	.28
Brunette	"	5.2
no name	Mrs Carter	5.70
Mattie	G H Flewelling	4.8
Pink	A P Wetmore	6.70
Heart	R C Williams	4.6
May	Capt. Shamper	5.50
Kate	"	5.2
Early	"	3.40
Tulip	"	4.0
Snooks	"	3.22
Daisy	Thos E Flewelling	6.3
Orange Gem	E H Merritt	4.90
Beauty	"	6.2
Pet	"	5.80
Daisy	W B Flewelling	6.7
May	"	5.50
Susie	M W Flewelling	6.1
Angelia	"	5.60
Gyneth	R W Wetmore	5.25
	E H Merritt's cows are jerseys	

After supper was over the meeting opened with a Farmers song by the choir followed by a short address from the President. There was then an address by the Sec. followed by another song by the choir. This was followed by an address from Dr. H C Wetmore, Rev H S Wainwright & others with also more music from the choir.

Directors were elected as follows. D P Wetmore, N W Puddington, A B White, E J Peters, H V Dickson, John Frost, R W Wetmore, H Redmore, E H Merritt, J H Gorham, Hezekiah Scribner, D D Northrup, Capt. Shamper, C Brien, R C Williams, Geo G Erb, S L Lamb, H D Wetmore, Lee Nutter, J O Dann, Theodore Holder, Jas E Ganong.

On motion resolved that the society pay the expenses of two delegates to attend the Farmers & Dairymen's Association at F'ton on Jan 25th & 27th.

On motion resolved that the president appoint the delegates to attend said meeting.

The president appointed Saturday the 14th inst at 2 o'clock for a directors meeting. The meeting which had been an enjoyable one throughout closed by singing God Save the Queen.[1]

D P Wetmore, sec.

Meeting of the directors of the Agricultural society No 23 at Clifton Hall Jan 14th 1893.

Present: R C Williams, president D P Wetmore, sec treas., D D Northrup, R W Wetmore, Theo Holder, Geo G Erb, Jas E Ganong, H V Dickson, John Frost, & Samuel Erb.

On motion resolved that the name of Jas E Ganong be added to the list of directors.

On motion resolved that R C Williams be president for 1893.

On motion resolved that D P Wetmore be sec. trea., On motion resolved that O W Wetmore be assistant sec., On motion resolved that D P Wetmore bill for cards paper oil &c in re farmers supper & conference at Clifton amounting to $3.65 be paid.

On motion resolved that the sec. be authorized to make arrangements to purchase what fertilizer seemed to be required & when he can get it the cheapest for a good artist (amount suppose to be about 40 tons)

The president appointed D P Wetmore & H V Dickson as delegates to attend the Farmers & Dairymen's Association at F'ton on the 25th, 26th & 27th inst.

On motion resolved that the sec. be authorized to make arrangements concerning the damaged fertilizer at Long Point in the spring of 1892, to settle with the parties who lost the fertilizer & to see what can be done towards collecting the loss from the sta. Springfield.

(the general idea seemed to be to allow the parties losing the fertilizer a discount equal to the amount washed by the water. The boat left the bags on the end of the wharf when the water was rising & nearly over it, when there was a good high water wharf.)

On motion resolved that the sec. notify Baird Wiliams that his unsecured note cannot be accepted by the society, as they can not use it. (Mr Williams was offering this note to settle balances due for several years.)

On motion resolved that a Farmers supper & institution be held in the Hall at Elmsdale on the 1st day of February 1893 the sec to send invitations.

On motion meeting adjourned. D P Wetmore, sec.

Elmsdale Feb 1 1893

About 250 persons sat down to the farmers supper in the hall here. After supper addresses were delivered by the president Thos A Peter's president of the F & D Association, D P Wetmore, A S White, J W Hart supt. of Gov Dairy station at Sussex, S L Peters, who made tests of 16 samples of milk. Hon G H Flewelling & B Crawford.

Mr Peters stated that the tests showed a very large per centage of cream & that if the samples were properly taken there must be a wonderfully good lot of cows in the neighbourhood. In answer to a question J W Hart stated that a cow would test from one to two per cent greater in butter fat, after she had been say 9 months in milk, then she would when fresh & giving full flow. That is if a cow tested 3 per cent when in full flow she would be likely to test 5 per cent after having been 9 months milking when she was giving very much less. Of course he said this would be more butter fat from the large quantity but the proportion of fat would be less.

It was also elicited from questions that a cow that was giving say only 10 lbs milk per day, 2 months after calving from being improperly fed or from neglect would test higher then than she would when fed so that she would give 25 lbs per day. Of course before this would be more butter fat in the large quantity but the percentage would be less. Some one said would not the quality depend largely on the kind of feed. Mr Hart replied, the kind of feed might make a little difference in the quality, but one thing was for sure & that was that when the flow of milk was increased the percentage of butter fat was reduced more or less.

After a very successful meeting it was closed by singing God Save the Queen.

D P Wetmore, sec.

List of milk at Elmsdale

owners name	cow	time in rotation	lbs milk per day	% butterfat	lb milk to lb butter	lb butter per day
Jas E Ganong	Min.	10months	3½	6.9	14	.25
"	Nel#1	2½	30	4.1	23	1.30
Judson White	Daisy	½	28	8.	12½	2.40
"	Molly	9	14	12.	8	1.8
Capt Shamper	Rose	4	14	6.9	14	1.
"	Beth	5	20	4.9	20	1
"	May	4	14	10.	9½	1.48
"	Gipsy	9	8	6.4	15½	.54
H D Wetmore	Lady Lightfoot	½	24	6.2	16	1.6
Jos H Gorham	Nellie	1	25	8.3	12	2.2
"	Daisy	8	5	5.8	15¼	.3
L P Hayter	Holderville	4	17	5.2	18	.94
"	Jane	1	31	4.3	22	1.4
Jos H Gorham	cherry	1	30	6.9	14	2.2
D P W	Skim Milk	-	-	.9		
"	"	-	-	.6	-	
	from farrow cows					

Meeting of Directors of Agricultural Society No 23 at Kingston Hall Feb 7 1893
A proposition had been made to repair the Hall provided that at least 25 more people would join the society from the vicinity of Kingston & that their fees & what would come to the society from the government on those new names & also the fees & government grant on those names already belonging to society in Kingston No 1 be used towards repairing Hall.

The secretary reported that Capt Shamper had handed in seven names who would join society in case the Hall were repaired, but that nothing had been paid in. Capt Shamper was asked if he would guarantee the payment on these names but he declined.

The president said that he & Mr Ganong were a committee to see if they could not purchase the Hall.

After a good deal of discussion during which it was elicited that there were only 14 members in Kingston No 1 exclusive of those who had given in their names conditionally. The following resolution was carried: –

Moved by Capt Shamper seconded by Jas E Ganong that the Hall be advertised & sold on the 1st day of March at 11 o'clock A.M. at public auction, in said Hall. On motion resolved that the terms of the sale be nine & eighteen months notes with approved security at 5% interest, or 2? per cent discount for cash.

On motion resolved that a committee be appointed to ascertain if thorough bred Imperial Yorkshire pigs can be purchased at reasonable figures & if prices & stock are found favourable to be authorized to purchase 3 sow pigs & a boar pig. On motion resolved that if pigs are purchased they be sold at Williams's Landing, at such time as the committee shall fix to be advertised them. (Capt Shamper & Jos H Gorham were appointed said committee) There was some discussion as to purchasing sheep, but it was agreed to defer the consideration of this question till later in the year. On motion resolved that the society purchase a Babcock Milk Tester, if about the same capacity as the one Mr S L Peters used. The sec. was appointed a committee to look after this. It was requested that the sec. ascertain whether it would be feasible to hold a Farmers supper & Institute at Kingston & to arrange for it if the people wished it.
Meeting adjourned DP Wetmore, sec.

March 1 1893
Meeting at Kingston Hall for the purpose of selling the Hall, J Lee Flewelling auctioneer.
Sold to James White for $66.00

Mar 8 1893
The society held a farmers supper & institute at Round Hill Greenwich at this date in the Hall near McLeods Corner. The meeting after the supper was to have been held in the meeting house but for some reason it could not be obtained & the smaller building was used. The Hall was packed to it's utmost capacity & some people could not get in. After supper was over addresses were delivered by the president S L Peters, J W Hart, D P Wetmore, Ludlow Belyea & others. S L Peters made tests of 16 samples of milk, the testing & reading of which caused a great deal of interest.

The Hall was so packed during the addresses that it was difficult to keep good order but a great deal of interest was manifested in the proceedings notwithstanding.
The meeting closed about 10 P.M. by singing God Save the Queen.
DP Wetmore, sec.

Milk tests at meeting above

Owners name	cow lactation	time in per day	lbs milk	# sample bottle	# test	% of butter fat	lb milk to lb butter	lbs butter per day
Rev DWP Gretchen		9	11½	1	2	4.9	17	.7
Shaln Cosman	past jersey	2	32	2	6	5.2	16	2.00
Wm Cameron	-	2	17	3	8	5.0	16.6	1.00
T R Seeley	-	½	34	4	3	2.3	37.	.92
LP Hater	skim milk	-	-	5		4	.3	
DPW	"	-	-	7	1		55	
HDW	"	-	-	8		5	.3	
Sussex	separator milk			10	8			
JR Jones	grade jersey	½	18	6	7	5.6	15	1.2
B Belyea	Lady Alice	10	5			9	5	6.9
	12.3	.4						
"	Lettie	½	32	11	2	4.8	17.	1.8
Geo Pickett	Lily	14	3	12	6	6.4	13.3	.2
"	Jess	½	14	13	7	4.3	19.66	.71
WS Belyea	Grade Ayrshire	3	12	14	3	5.	16.66	.72
Thos Millar	Daisy	10	14	15	1	6.4	13.3	1.06
Wm McLeod	-		16		4	5.1	16.4	

EXHIBITION & FAIR,

The Exhibition of

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

No. 23, will be held in the HALL at

KINGSTON

on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5th, 1898.

Any person can exhibit by becoming a member of the Society and paying fee of $1 00 before September 1st, after that date $2 00 will be charged, but two years subscription will be allowed.

Premium Lists on application to Secretary.

Open from 10 a. m. till 4 p. m.

O. W. WETMORE, Sec'y.

Although there appears to be a loss of recorded minutes and prize lists for a period of years, there was at least one exhibition and fair during those years, as this broadsheet shows. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Museum, Fredericton, N.B.)

The minute book. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Following the death of David Pickett Wetmore (just after he had ordered the milk-testing machine), the minutes of the Agricultural Society became more business orientated and contained less social comment. Eventually, a governmental fill-in-the-blank format was adopted. In the third hardcover book (8? in. x 14 in., leather spine), which includes the New Brunswick Farmer's Institute Acts, Rules & Regulations, there are minutes of meetings held after 1901.

Report of meeting held
at_____Clifton_____on
the____1st_____days
of_____November____1901

On that occasion the meeting was held in the evening with 35 in attendance, it was a dark stormy night and bad traveling. However, there were two speakers: W S Tompkins from Southampton, York County who spoke on the 'Cultivation of Soil', and W W Hubbard of Halifax, Nova Scotia who spoke on the Feeding and Care of Dairy Cow.

[The facing page is blank. There are no minutes.]

Kingston No 23 held the next meeting at Kingston on the 9th of January with 300 in attendance. A Farmers Supper was previous to the meeting, quite a number took part in the discussion and altogether a very satisfactory meeting. Two speakers, F E Sharp from Midlands, Kings County spoke on Poultry Production, and received a fair value to his paper, whereas Simpson Rennie, from Enilliken, Ontario received a good grade for his talk on Cultivation of common field root & potatoes.

Kingston No 23 met at Springfield on the 27th of January, 1902, only 25 in attendance, on a very cold night with more snow. Hardly fit for horse to venture out as it was icy and ground frozen. A number took part in discussion and had a very good meeting for number present. The speaker was Chas Peters from Elmhurst, the topic was 'clover as a soil re-newer' for which he received a tick in the good column.

Kingston No 23 met on the evening of February the 28th , 1902, in Clifton, where 250 were in attendance. However, a supper was held before the evening discussion and a good meeting was held, a large number taking part. O W Wetmore of Clifton spoke on the cultivation and care of strawberries, while Wm Hazlett, of Whitehead, spoke on the care of old patches of strawberries. [It's noted here that neither was graded, but that could be because O W was secretary!]

Kingston No 23 did not meet again that year until they met at Whites Mills on the 7th of October 1902 when 90 were in attendance. Both speakers were well received. Mr Tompkins seems to be a favorite at such meetings. W S Tompkins spoke on cultivation of root crops and D Drummond from Ontario spoke about 'grading-up a dairy herd', both received ticks in the 'good' column

Kingston No 23 Met in Clifton on the 15th of January 1903 with 200 in attendance. A good meeting, no outside speakers, but a good discussion in clover growing and had a supper before the meeting. The three speakers leading the discussion were; E J Peters, R W Wetmore and O W Wetmore… No one was graded on performance.

Kingston No 23, met next at Perry Point on the 5th of February 1903, when 40 gathered on a bad stormy night. Mr F V Hamm who was to address us on poultry was prevented from getting here. However a discussion on the winter care of fowls for laying was led by H V Dickson, Jubilee, E A Flewelling, Perry Point, A R Wetmore of Jubilee and O W Wetmore of Clifton.

Kingston No 23 gathered at Long Reach on the 13th of February 1903 when 180 were in attendance. A good meeting, a number of local men took part and J W Wetmore from St John gave some good pointers on preparing poultry for a St John market. As well Harry Smith of Long Reach spoke on the care of the orchard, R E Lyon spoke on Poultry as did Wm Shamper of Kingston, while O W Wetmore spoke on small fruits.

Kingston No 23 reported on their meeting held in Kingston the 10th of March 1903 when 250 were in attendance. A fine meeting, a number of local men took part and Mr C F Alward, of Havelock, gave an interesting address on the care of the dairy calf. Wm Shamper of Kingston spoke to the topic as well as a number of others made some remarks.

Kingston No 23 met at Kingston on the 9th of October 1903 when 30 were in attendance. A good discussion took place but the crowd was small. Mr C D F Alward of Havelock returned with a paper on the winter feeding of the dairy cow and F G Raynor from Rose Hall, Ontario spoke on grading up a dairy herd, both received a tick in the 'good' column.

Flewelling Mill at Perry Point, by the bridge to Jubilee. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Kingston No 23 then headed to Long Reach for a meeting on the 10th of October 1903 where 40 attended a good meeting but not a large number present for the good discussion when F G Raynor spoke on the care of the orchard and C F Alward of Havelock led a discussion with R E Lyon of Long Reach on cultivation of soil and soil moisture.

Kingston No 23 Farmers' Institute next met at Kingston on the 15th of February 1904. 300 attended a fine meeting and good discussion on winter care of laying fowl. A great many took part in the discussion. F V Hamm, Silver Falls, St John led the discussion and received a 'good' in the value column. [and a note at the bottom saying] 'Mr Hamm treated his subject in good shape and audience paid close attention.

Kingston No 23 reports the next meeting at Clifton on the 25th of February 1904 with 250 in attendance. One of the best meetings we ever had addressed by Saxby Blair. The audience were very attentive and the address could hardly be beaten. Saxby Blair, from Experimental Farm Nova Scotia spoke on 'How best to retain soil moisture' and received a extra good on the good column.

Kingston No 23 had the next meeting on the 2nd of November 1904 in Gondola Point when 35 attended a small attendance but an interesting meeting when nearly everybody took part in the discussion. Mr Frazer from Ontario spoke on the benefits of growing clover.

Kingston No 23 met at Bayswater on the 3rd of November 1904 when 50 attended on a dark stormy night, but a very interesting meeting and good discussion. Mr Frazer from Ontario spoke on the cultivation of the soil and clover as a fertilizer. Capt. E C Worden & [Harvie?] Currie of Bayswater, Hurbert Hughes of Milkish & Joseph Long of Milkish took part in the discussion.

Kingston No 23 held the next meeting at Kingston on the 20th of December 1904 when 30 attended to suggest subjects for discussion.

Kingston No 23 next gathered at Kingston on the 20th of January 1905 when 40 enjoyed a good discussion on clover and opinion was general that we all should increase the acreage.

[For this meeting, there are also recorded minutes.]

Kingston January 20th 1905

Meeting called to order by Pres. at 8:30 P.M., Sec'y read minutes and they were confirmed. The sec'y then opened the discussion on clover and urged the farmers to try and grow more as it not only made better feed when properly cured but increased the fertility of the land taking the valuable ingredients (nitrogen from the air). If it was necessary to grow timothy in would be far better to seed with one-half clover as the clover roots in decaying will give you at least 5 years good timothy. Good cultivation before hand seemed to be one of the main things to give to ensure a good catch when seeding.

Chas Peters stated at Guelph, that clover was sown with grass year after year on the same ground and with good results. Stanley Wetmore stated that had got a good crop of clover and ploughed under and seeded with oats again, and found the straw very large but the oats not so good.
Nearly everybody thought that clover should be cut early and get two cuttings a year. Mr Hamilton, Principal of Kingston School then gave some very interesting remarks on the influence of bacteria on different farm crops. He said that good cultivation was one of the main things to insure bacteria working well in connection with clover growing.

After a number of suggestions it was resolved that the discussion be on poultry at our next meeting at this building on February 1st and that Mr F V Hamm of Silver

Falls, be asked to open the discussion.
On motion meeting adjourned. O W Wetmore, sec'y

Kingston No 23 met at Kingston in the new Macdonald Consolidated School[14] on the 15th of February 1905 with only 15 in attendance due to bad travelling. However F V Hamm of the Marsh Bridge Poultry Farm, St John gave a good address on poultry.

Kingston No 23 met at Kingston on the 30th of October 1905. 50 attended a good meeting, not a large attendance, however all the speakers received an attentive hearing and there was quite a lot of discussion, especially on Mr Cotterall's address. Mr G R Cotterall, from Ontario, spoke on Poultry for market eggs. F E Sharp, Midlands, spoke on how to return moisture to the soil. And F W Broderick spoke on selection of seeds.

Kingston No 23 met next at Long Point on the 31st of October 1905. 35 participated in an evenings lively discussion following the address. G R Cotterall again spoke to poultry for egg market, F E Sharp on soil moisture and F G Broderick on the selection of seed.

Kingston No 23 met at Clifton on the 19th of January 1906 with 250 in attendance. Following a large gathering for supper addresses were given by F V Hamm of Marsh Bridge Poultry Farm on poultry for laying and market.

Kingston No 23 met at Kingston on the 9th of February 1906 with 150 at an evening gathering. Mr Daigle was expected but did not arrive due to it being a stormy night, but a good meeting was had. Mr Bell from St John spoke on the need of co-operation in dairying. Mr D W Hamilton spoke on bacteria in milk.

Kingston No 23 met in Kingston on the 14th of June 1906, in the afternoon there were 75 in attendance which swelled to 150 in the evening. Explanation of different weeds on R C William's place. Prof. Longhead gave an interesting address in the evening with a picnic supper in the hall.

Kingston No 23 met at Kingston on the 5th of November 1906 with 75 attending, and a good meeting with a large number of ladies present. Duncan Anderson, Orilla Ontario spoke on clover growing and farm education. And Mr N Dow, of Woodstock, NB spoke on dairying.

Kingston No 23 met the following evening at Rothesay, a very dark night and not many turned out (35), but a good meeting. Mr Duncan was rated good for his discussion clover growing and rotation while N Dow was rated fairly good with his address on dairying.

Kingston No 23 met in Kingston on the 1st of February 1907, 300 attended and was declared one of the largest crowds we ever had at an institute meeting. S L Peters, Queenstown spoke on New Brunswick as a home and O W Wetmore of Clifton spoke on the advantages of the Institute.

Kingston No 23 reported a meeting on the 22nd of February 1907 at Long Reach. 150 turned out on a fairly good night, and although one speaker who had agreed could not attend, it was an enthusiastic crowd to the growing and cultivation advantages of clover address given by O W Wetmore with discussion led by S T Holder.

Kingston No 23 met on the 1st of March 1907 at Clifton. 250 enjoyed a fine meeting, however supper before the meeting made it somewhat late. There was quite a discussion following the addresses which were very interesting. Wm McIntosh of St John spoke on injury caused by insects and worms, and Walter Bell of King St. St John spoke on the care of cattle and care for creamy cream. Kingston No 23 meeting of the 26th of October 1907 was held at Kingston when 42 turned out to an evening meeting. A rather dark night and the crowd was not large but were attentive and a good many questions were asked. The speakers were Dr. Standish from Ontario who gave an address on breeding horses, and F E Sharp of Midland who again discussed the cultivation of the soil, followed by O W Wetmore on clover and cultivation.

[The last entry just states that there was no meeting. Although the speakers showed, it was dark and stormy, and few turned out. Towards the back of the book, in a section set aside for the annual report, there are several entries that add information to the whole. These pages are fill-in-the-blank forms, which in themselves are interesting.]

[Form B]

Annual Report, Kingston No 23, Nov 30th 1901, held at Clifton in the evening, 25 in attendance, 2 papers or addresses given, organizational meeting.

[For the same annual report (on Form C), the communities and halls where the meetings were to take place are indicated, as well as distances to the nearest railway stations. Four localities were named.]

- Kingston at the Kingston Hall, one day duration in the county of Kings with the nearest railway station at Jubilee 4 miles away.
- Whites Mills at the Pearl Hall, one day duration in the county of Kings and 8 miles from the Rothesay station.
- Scribners with no hall identified, one day duration in the county of Kings 6 miles from either Hampton or Jubilee stations.

- Gondola Point, at the Garfield Hall, of one day duration in the county of Kings and 4 miles from the Rothesay station.

[On Form D is the list of officers for 1901, identifying them by occupation and address. Since they are all listed as farmers, only the position, name and address are given here.]

President	Capt. Wm Shamper, Kingston, Kings County
Vice President	H V Dickson, Jubilee, " "
Secretary-Treasurer	O W Wetmore, Clifton " "
Directors	
N N Puddington, Moss Glen	Hezekiah Scribner, Scribners P.O.
R E Lyon, Greys Mills	E J Peters, Elmshurst
H V Dickson, Jubilee	Capt. Wm Shampers, Kingston
T Fred Wood, Carters Pt.	W Wetmore, Clifton
Thos Middleton, Holderville	John Frost, Hampton
Wm Hazlett, Whitehead	Frank Northrup, Kingston
L T Crawford, Kingston	A D Northrup, Kingston

[On Form B, there is the following for the annual meeting for the year ending November 30, 1902.]

Kingston held an evening meeting when 300 attended, 2 addresses were given and 140 members joined. Long Point Springfield held an evening meeting with one speaker when 25 attended on a very cold night. Clifton held an evening meeting with 2 speakers and 250 attended, while the meeting at Gondola Point was postponed due to bad weather and the meeting at Whites Mills attracted 90 people to hear 2 speakers.

[The location information on Form C includes the following:]

- Kingston at the Temperance Hall, one day duration in the county of Kings, nearest railway Jubilee.
- Long Reach at the Victoria Hall, one day duration in the county of Kings and if in summer would come by boat.
- The winter meeting to be held at Kingston and the other in the fall say October.
- Gondola Point, Garfield Hall, one day nearest station Rothesay
- Perry Point, Public Hall, one day nearest station Jubilee
- Clifton, Public, one day Rothesay station
- Whites Mills, Pearl Hall, one day Rothesay station.

[Form D]

President	Wm Shamper, Kingston	
Vice President	Hez. Scribner, Scribner	A B White, Whites Mills

Directors

W Wetmore, Clifton	L T Crawford, Kingston	Frank Northrup, Kingston
T Fred Wood, Carters Point	H V Dickson, Jubilee	Melvin Merritt, Tooleton
W Lee Nutter, Urquahart	E J Peters, Elmhurst	John F Frost, Hampton
Kars E A Flewelling, Perry Point, Mill Owner		Thos Middleton, Holderville

The Diary of Howard Douglas Wetmore

Farm Journal and Diary
1884-1891

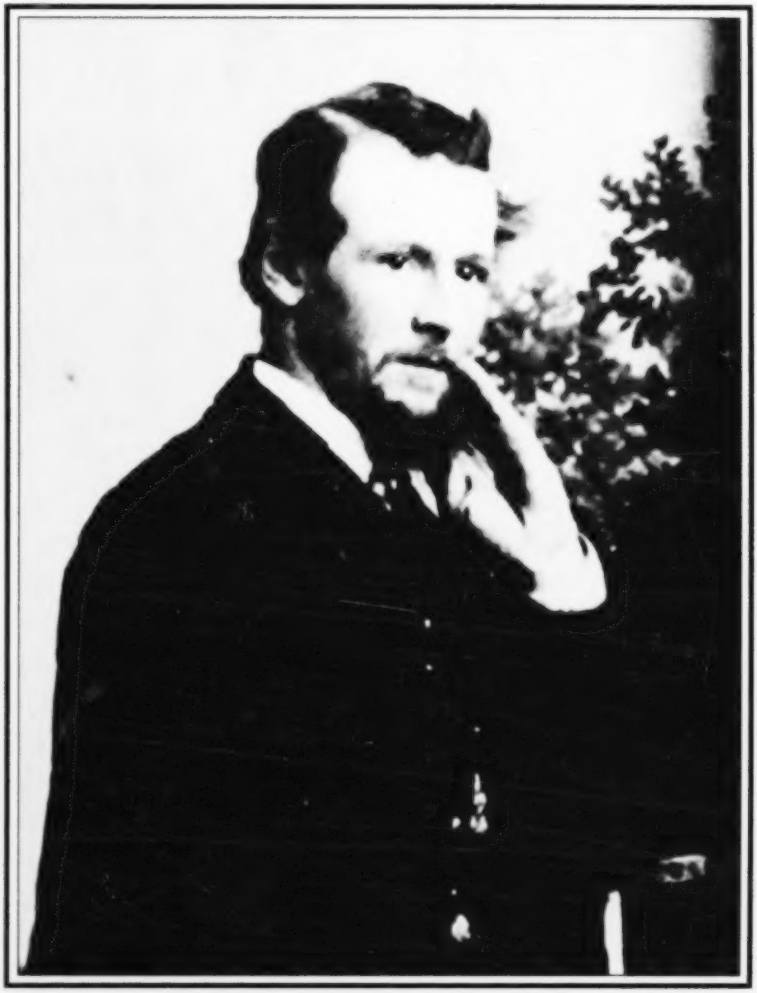
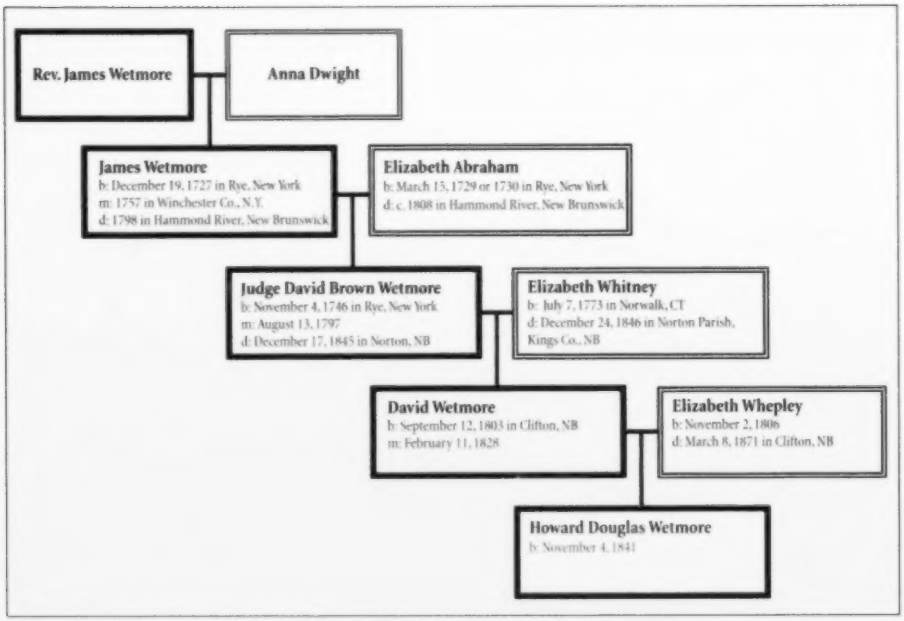


Photo: Howard Douglas Wetmore (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Ancestors of Howard Douglas Wetmore



Howard Douglas Wetmore was a younger brother of David Pickett Wetmore, both grandsons of David Brown Wetmore, a United Empire Loyalist. After spending some time in Westfield, Massachusetts, where he worked as a carpenter, Howard returned to Clifton to farm. He cultivated mainly strawberries. He was also captain of No. 1 Company of the 74th Battalion of the Kings County Militia, secretary of the trustees of the superior school at Clifton, an active worker for the temperance movement and a Freemason. His first marriage was to Annie Whelpley (daughter of James S. Whelpley), and his second, to Clara Frost (daughter of Harvey Frost, of Norton). A father of seven, Howard was a regular diarist from 1884 to 1891, writing every day but Sunday.

1884 April

Tues 1st Cool and dull. Drove to little island this morning for load of sand. Took banking away from cellar in the afternoon.

Wed. 2nd Fine and spring like. Made new shaft for express wagon today. Ice and snow wasting fast.

Th 3rd Cold and rainy. Cow "Gypsy" had a calf today. Working at repairing harness, grinding tools &c. Making up berry boxes in the evening.

Fri 4th Wet and cold again today. Working about house and shop. Getting out lumber for new window in old kitchen.

Sat 5th Wet day again – wind NE. Ice looking bad in the river, although teams are crossing it yet. Working at sash. Set two hens today.

Mon 7th No change in the weather yet. Working at sash today. Family took tea at G H Flewelling's this evening. Mail wagon crossed ice this morning – last time.

Tues 8th Finished sash. Commenced hewing stick for sled runners. Fine this afternoon. Another hen set. Ice wasting fast. Mail driver went to Moss Glen to cross today. Lodge meeting this evening.

Wed 9th Went up on hill and cut 150 raspberry stakes this morning. Working at stick for sled runners this afternoon. Took tea with Mr Wright's with family.

Th 10th Snowing steadily all day and thawing NE wind. Working in shop at various jobs. Hauled raspberry stakes down this afternoon. Snow about 3 inches. Ice looking bad – no crossing for two days. Another hen set this morning.

Fri 11th Good Friday. Snow of yesterday lay quite deep this morning. Hauled some fencing around the fields, and hauled soft wood from bridge to the house. Fine afternoon Ferry not open yet.

Sat 12th Chopping wood at door today. Hewed stick for bob sled runners. And one 3 inch birch plank. Ferry seems open this evening. Fine to warm.

Mon 14th Cool and fine. Ice wasting fast. First team crossed at ferry today. Chopping wood at door. Tapped some trees today. Drove to Kingston church yesterday (Easter Sunday). Fine but muddy traveling. First lambs came today.

Tues 15th Fine & warm. Hewed sticks for shafts and doing other work about the house and barn. Put away sled and got out farm wagon today. Got horse shod. Bought a pig from J S Wetmore.

Wed 16th Raining, all day with SE wind, (strong) J S W killed calf for me. Working about house & shop

Th 17th Went to St. John today with veal for market. Found market so dull, left it with Cosman & Wetmore to sell. Very fat, weighed 180 lbs cleaned.

Friday 18th Raining heavily nearly all day – wind NE. Working about house and shop. Picked out seed potatoes. Found potatoes had wintered well.

Sat 19th Still raining. River clear of ice to the islands. Snow nearly all gone.

Mon 21st Wet part of the day yesterday – very warm in the afternoon. Raining again today. Made window frames today.

Tues 22nd Wet again today. Cut door through from old house to kitchen part in 2nd story. 8 lambs with 5 ewes.

Wed 23rd Fine and clear. Hewed more sticks for shafts and sled benches. Spaded up ground around rhubarb and made hot bed frame over one row. Drove up to the Point in the evening on school business.

Th 24th Did some more hewing this afternoon. Cleaned up barnyard in the afternoon. Fine and warm.

Fri 25th Raining again, part of the day. Stopped leak around large chimney in old house. Sawing wood &c. Justus Pickett here today for pig I had been keeping for him price I got mine. Clara and the children went home with him to stay until Sunday.

Sat 26th Showery nearly all day, fine towards evening. Got out seed potatoes and put them in drying loft to sprout, packed in berry trays, shallow boxes, pans &c.

Mon 28th Drove up to J Pickett's yesterday and brought the family home. Did some hewing today. Put up fence along the lane and in the pasture this afternoon. School examination today – did not attend. Commenced taking up raspberries this evening. Charlie G. went home to stay the rest of the week.

Tues 29th Dull all day. Worked at taking up raspberries. Mabel Flewelling came today – intends stopping with us and going to school here this summer.

Wed. 30th Killed and dressed 9 pairs fowls today to send to market tomorrow. Sheared sheep today – 8 fleeces weighed 51lbs unworked. Cold today and cloudy. Cold and clear tonight.

1884 May

Thur 1 Cold and rainy. Repaired fence around pasture this forenoon. Set out some rhubarb plants, and planted onion seeds in the old garden. Worked at taking up raspberries toward evening.

Fri 2 Cold with SW wind. Raining some during the middle of the day. Finished taking up old raspberries. Cleaned rifles today.

Sat 3 Fine and cold – strong NW wind. Took up new raspberry plants and set out some to fill the blanks in the rows. Hauled manure on them. Prepared ground for planting peas.

Mon 5 Drove to Hampton Church yesterday – brought Mrs. Frost home with me to stay a week. Commenced taking off brush today.

Tues 6 Worked all day at brush. Finished the lower field. Fine clear weather – strong wind Planted peas.

Wed 7 Fine. Finished taking off brush. Found the plants had wintered quite well where they were thrifty last fall. Anticipate a much better crop than last year. Mrs. W made soap today.

Thurs 8 Taking up strawberry plants today to send to Sussex to fill an order for Edwin Flewelling.

Fri 9 Raining all day. Trimming and packing plants all day sending 2700.

Armory in Clifton, 2003. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Sat 10 Sent plants to station by D P W's team, hauling ashes from bell shed and spreading them on strawberry field. Hauled enough for lower field. Mr. Frost came this evening. Raining again.

Mon 12 Mr & Mrs. Frost started for home yesterday forenoon. Raining all the afternoon. Today cold and wet – snowing this morning. Showery this afternoon with strong north wind – very cold. Did some cobbling this morning. Worked in armory part of the afternoon.

Tues 13 Elsie's birthday. Cold north wind still blowing. Showers occasionally. Hauling and spreading ashes on strawberry fields – finished upper piece.

Wed 14 Planted a few Potatoes on lot above house this morning. Prepared ground to set blackberry plants. Purdy helping me. Rain came just after noon and drove us off. Searching Masonic records at Hall this afternoon.

Th 15 Cold and dull. Working with Purdy at trimming and tying up raspberry plants.

Fri 16 Threatening rain. Set out 2 rows blackberry plants. Worked at raspberries rest of day. S Langstroth and wife here today. Had calf killed today intend sending part of it to market by steamer.

Sat 17 Raining this morning – wet all day. Sent hind quarters of veal to market by 'Novelty'. Working in the raspberries. Got some strawberry plants from G H F.

Mon 19 Raining again yesterday afternoon – fine and warm today. Working at raspberries most of the day. Fitted up milk house for creamers. Hauled top dressing on piece of ground intended for strawberries. Lewis sick today.

Tues 20 Drove to Kingston this morning for Dr. Paddock, from there drove to Norton and brought Mrs. Frost who will stay a few days until the baby is better. Fine, nearly finished tying up raspberries.

Wed 21 Shower this afternoon. Ploughed burning strip in strawberries preparing to set plants. Sowed seed, harrowed in wheat, and oats in old potato field.

Thurs 22 Sowed grass and clover seed last night and this morning. Got roller from R W W to roll the ground. Harrowed sod land for oats and hauled ashes for it. Commenced setting strawberry plants.

Fri 23 Finished top dressing and sowed and harrowed in oats. Setting plants. Raining in the afternoon. Got some 'Harples' and 'Aeicent' plants from G H F.

Sat 24 Raining and foggy all day. Purdy away. Doing odd jobs about the house. Dr. Paddock called this morning. Lewis does not seem to improve.

Mon 26 Fine. Finished setting plants this noon. Out repairing fence part of morning. Commenced planting potatoes back of hill this afternoon. Purdy leaves me after today. Dr. Paddock here again this morning. Lewis no better. Mr & Mrs. J Pickett came this evening.

Tues 27 Planting potatoes all day – Douglas W helping me. Dr. Paddock called this evening.

Wed 28 Finished planting field back of hill today. Raining this evening. Lewis still very ill. Think him a little better this evening.

Thu 29 Raining all day with cold NE wind. Working about workshop and wood house. Planted a few potatoes on burnt ground in pasture.

Fri 30 Fine. Clarence to commence job of sawing my wood today. Ploughed and prepared ground for carrots, turnips, corn and beans.

Sat 31 Planted carrots, turnips & beet seed, also corn and beans. Mrs. Frost and 'Minnie' arrived this evening. Lewis getting better slowly. Mr & Mrs. Frost going home tomorrow.

1884 June

Mon 2 Commenced cultivating and hoeing strawberries today. Rain came on at noon and continued until evening. Mr & Mrs. Frost went home yesterday leaving Minnie with us. Lewis improving slowly.

Tues 3 Wet all day. Repairing pasture fence most of the day.

Wed 4 Fine and clear. Hoeing all day.

Th 5 Hoeing strawberries all day, cultivated and commenced hoeing field above barn this afternoon.

Fri 6 Hoeing all day. Fine and warm. Heavy thunder storm this evening.

Sat 7 Working at strawberries all day. Clara went to city on the 'Novelty'.

Mon 9 Drove to Norton yesterday to take Minnie home. Took Elsie and Annie with me and left Elsie there for a few days. Got pig at Stephen Crawford's on my way home. Hoeing strawberries all day today. Douglas raked off potato field for me.

Tues 10 Raining this morning – continued until 9 o'clock. Hoeing part of the forenoon and this afternoon.

Wed 11 Fine and warm. Hoeing all day – nearly finished strawberries except some parts of the lower field that I intend to plough out.

Th 12 Finished hoeing strawberries first time. Raining this afternoon.

Fri 13 Prepared ground for planting fodder corn. Cultivated raspberries and commenced hoeing there. Thos Flewelling helping this afternoon. Allan Frost and Annie came down today bringing Elsie home with them. Fine and cool.

Sat 14 Planted fodder corn this morning. Got horse shod. Hoed raspberries all day. Thomas E F helping.

Mon 16 Cows laid out in the woods last night. Did not get them until after 10 o'clock. Today. Raining heavily this morning. Out repairing brush fence this afternoon. Thomas hoeing raspberries this afternoon. Mr & Mrs. Pickett came this afternoon, she remained to go to St. John by boat tomorrow.

Tues 17 Hoeing and weeding in the garden this morning. Washed express wagon. Thos hoed blackberry plants – commenced hoeing strawberries second time.

Wed 18 Drove to St. John today, brought load of oats, meal &c. W A Pitt's steamer came up the river today.

Thu 19 Repairing brush fence this morning. Set out some cabbage plants. Cleaned out under stable and put mud in this afternoon. Very warm.

The Novelty *at Perry Point Bridge. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B.)*

Fri 20 Working at forking over manure today and doing other small jobs about the house. Cut blossoms from new strawberry plants. Mrs. C Frost came this evening from Kingston to take the boat for St. John tomorrow. Thos hoeing strawberries.

Sat 21 Working at composting manure this forenoon. Cultivated potatoes this afternoon. Heavy thunder shower last evening.

Mon 23 Drove to Norton yesterday with the family returning in the evening. Maggie came with us to stay a few days. Spent today preparing to go into camp with the company at Shediac. T E F hoeing for me.

Tues 24 Started for camp, taking the steamer Novelty to Rothesay, where we embarked on the train for Shediac about 10 o'clock. Arrived there about 5:30 in the evening and marched to camp about 3 miles. Spent the next 10 days drilling in the camp, the 8th Cavalry (3 troops) 73rd Batt and 74th Batt forming Brigade Camp.

1884 July

Sat July 5 Returned home today from camp. Arrived at Rothesay about 7:30, where we found the steamer Novelty waiting for us. Ran across to Moss Glen with part of the men, thence to Clifton arriving home about 9 o'clock.

Mon 7 Dull and foggy. Worked nearly all day in the armory cleaning and arranging rifles and accoutrements. Picked first lot of berries today – 24 qts.

Tues 8 Wet and showery today. Fitting up for target practice tomorrow and doing odd jobs about house and barn. Prepared table for berries in woodhouse.

Wed 9 Raining all day. No target practice. Repaired broken wagon wheel. Drove to Moss Glen in the afternoon for crate lumber. School closes today for holidays. Mabel and Charley leave in the morning.

Th 10 Wet and showery – cleaned away towards night. Picked berries today. About 16 men here for target practice today. Raining again this evening.

Fri 11 Fine. Thos and Leslie hoeing for me. Drove to St. John with berries this afternoon returned late in the evening.

Sat 12 Foggy nearly all day, hoeing raspberries and weeding strawberries.

Mon 14 Wet all day yesterday. Foggy today – brighter afternoon – thunder showers toward evening. Leslie moving manure in barnyard this morning, weeding and hoeing this afternoon. Working in armory part of the day.

Tues 15 Dull and showery. Making crates today.

Wed 16 Weather still dull and showery. Bazaar and Strawberry Festival in aid of Clifton Church held in the place today. Proved quite successful in spite of unfavorable weather. Al Frost and Mary were down from Norton. Brought Annie home with them.

Th 17 Helping to clean up after the sale this morning. Hoeing in raspberries this afternoon Showers came on before night and drove us off. Have had scarcely any fine weather since we came home from camp.

Fri 18 Weeding and hoeing today Leslie and Purdy helping us this afternoon.

Sat 19 Drove to city with load of berries. Leslie, Purdy & F E F helping with hoeing raspberries.

Mon 21 Rained heavily yesterday. Fine today. Weeding, hoeing and repairing hay rack. Sent Leslie to Moss Glen for birch planks. Geo Fowler here to dinner.

Tues 22 Drove to St. John with berries early this morning, returned about noon. Showering in afternoon.

Wed 23 Weeding strawberries this morning. Hoed new plants this afternoon, also turnips, beets, corn, beans & fine and dry.

Th 24 Drove to St. John today with berries. Wet this morning and showery again this evening. Leslie weeding this PM

Fri 25 Fine. Weeding strawberries today. Leslie helping. Mrs. G H T & Mrs. W W W here to tea.

Sat 26 Fine and cool. Weeding strawberries most of the day.

Mon 28 Picking berries part of the day. Rainy in the forenoon Drove to Rothesay with berries in the evening. Mr & Mrs. J Pickett here to tea.

Tues 29 Fine, threatening rain this evening. Weeding and Hoeing. Picked first raspberries today.

Wed 30 Raining nearly all day. Busy looking after the picking. Strawberries down the hill about done.

Th 31 Fine. Put lines through the raspberries today. Took weeds out of the lower piece. Mowed some lodged grass and put it up in cock. James came tonight to spend a part of his holidays. Leslie drove load of berries to Rothesay this evening.

1884 August

Fri 1 Wet and raining this morning. Making preparations for haying. Fine in the afternoon. Sam and Robt Lanstrouth here – went out with them for target practice.

Sat 2 Fine. Commenced haying today. Cut clover in old strawberry field. Hauled one load.

Mon 4 Foggy this morning – cleared away before noon. Haying after the fog cleared away. Clarence commenced today. Hauled two loads. Cows laid out last night. Sent Leslie to Rothesay with load of berries this evening.

Tues 5 Foggy and wet all day. Been picking berries most of the day. Showers this evening.

Wed 6 Another wet day. Raining part of the time. Picking strawberries.

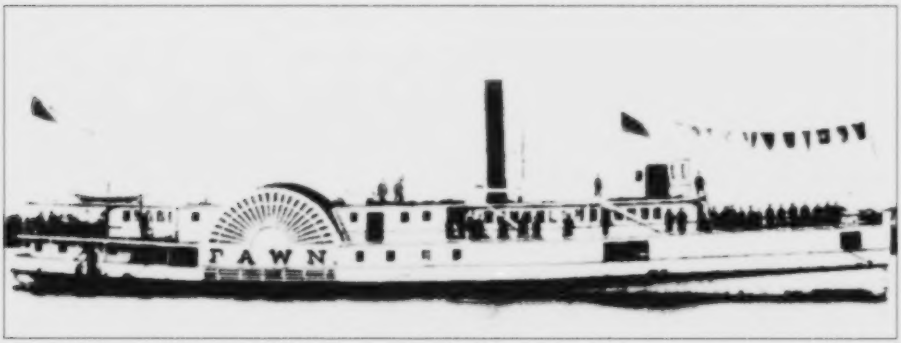
Th 7 Foggy all day. Doing little things. Picnic from St. John by steamer 'Fawn' – Annie Frost up with them.

Fri 8 Rained heavily this morning and in the night. Dull all the forenoon – cleared off about noon. Opened and shook out hay and cocked it up again. Fine this evening.

Sat 9 Fine – Good hay day. Working at haying all day. Hauled three loads.

Mon 11 Dull and threatening rain. Did not do anything with hay. Heavy pick of raspberries today. Sent load to Rothesay tonight.

Tues 12 Fine hay day. Cut grass on both sides of side hill, got in four loads.



The Fawn, *known as the party boat. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)*

Wed 13 Mowed this morning and opened hay. Rain came on about noon and made it impossible to get hay in – put it up in cock again before it got very wet. Raining heavily this afternoon and evening.

Th 14 Raining this forenoon – dull in the afternoon. Could not do anything with hay.

Fri 15 Fine after 9 o'clock. Haying all day – got in four loads.

Sat 16 Dull this forenoon – brighter after dinner. Did not mow any. Opened hay in the afternoon and got in two small loads. Repairing fence to keep the sheep in pasture this morning.

Mon 18 Foggy this morning, soon cleared off. Haying all day finished cutting home meadow except orchard, got in two loads.

Tues 19 Commenced cutting upper meadow – got in 6 loads of hay. Fine. Shooting matches of PRA commenced today at Sussex.

Wed 20 Foggy this morning – brighter in the afternoon. Opened hay after dinner and got in two loads, but rather too green. Mowed some in the afternoon. Cultivated a few rows of berries.

Th 21 Dull and foggy this morning – cleared away about noon. Opened some hay after dinner and got in one load. Stirred out and put up part of what was mowed yesterday. Working alone. Getting weeds off of strawberries this forenoon. Foggy again tonight.

Fri 22 Fog again this morning – sun came out before and we opened hay. Managed to get in two loads, but fog soon obscured the sun again.

Sat 23 Raining this morning – did not do anything with the hay. Picked raspberries this morning, hoed strawberries in the afternoon. More fog this evening.

Mon 25 Fine and cool. Haymaking all day. Got in 3 loads.

Tues 26 Dull with heavy SW wind – rained toward evening. Opened hay during the middle of the day and got in 4 loads.

Wed 27 Dull this morning – fine in the afternoon. Did not mow much. Went to St. John with berries after dinner. Left Leslie to put up hay. Eliza Gorham came this evening.

Th 28 Fine hay day. – finished mowing – got in three loads. Mr J H Wright here to tea this evening.

Fri 29 Finished haying today. Hauled four loads. Raining this evening. Sent chickens to Market by express. Got in 42 loads of hay altogether.

Sat 30 Raining all day drove up to Mrs. Purves this afternoon to engage a girl.

1884 September

Mon 1 Fine. Weeding and hoeing strawberries. Rained nearly all day yesterday.

Tue 2 Fine. Cultivating and hoeing in upper berry field. Helping D P W harvest his crop of potatoes competing for prize offered by Agr. Society. Maria Purves came this morning.

Wed. 3 Hoeing strawberries all day. Leslie helping.

Th 4 Hoeing berries. Finished upper field today, very weedy.

Fri 5 Cultivating and hoeing berries all day. Fine and dry. Sale and Festival of Sewing Circle today. Did not attend.

Sat 6 Hoeing all day on lower field. Raining toward evening. Decided to get along without Leslie's help after this week.

Mon 8 Rained heavily this morning early. Taking weeds out of raspberries nearly all day – used flat hoe. Got horse shod.

Tues 9 Working at weeds in raspberries and strawberries.

Wed 10 Hoeing in strawberries. Picked some blackberries.

Thur 11 Finished hoeing strawberries today. Getting weeds out of raspberries. Raining this evening.

Fri 12 Fine. Working in raspberries. Our 2nd boy David Lee born this evening.

Sat 13 Fine and cold – frost last night. Hoeing raspberries this forenoon. Mowed part of my oats in the afternoon.

Mon 15 Cold weather. Frost Sat. night and last night cut down corn, beans, pumpkins &c. Got in oats today that were mowed Sat. Hoeing in raspberries.

Tues 16 Raining nearly all day with SW wind – strong. Doing work about the barn and house. Mr Flower here this evening.

Wed 17 Fine and warmer. Finished taking weeds out of raspberries today. Pulled weeds out of vegetables and blackberry plants this afternoon. Pulled crate of rhubarb to send to market tomorrow.

Thur 18 Cradled my wheat today – let it be without binding tonight as it promised fine. Not so good a crop as last year – straw – rusty but standing up better.

Fri 19 Fine. Taking lines out of raspberries. Turned wheat and bound up the greater part of it. Did not stook it yet.

Sat 20 Finished taking lines out of raspberries this morning. Bound the rest of the wheat and stooked it up near the barn.

Mon 22 Heavy SW wind all day with rain in the evening. Drove down to Mrs. Pierce's this morning to try to engage a girl for the house. Commenced to mow oats in the afternoon, but did not get much cut. Mr & Mrs. Frost came this afternoon, and returned to Kingston in the evening.

Tues 23 Commenced putting top dressing in strawberries today. Finished mowing oats this afternoon.

Wed 24 Hauling top dressing in strawberries today. Rained some during the middle of the day.

Thur 25 Foggy with heavy wind. Getting out top dressing all day. Rain this evening.

Fri 26 Fine. Hauled out top dressing until noon. Gathered N B apples this afternoon, had about a bushel. Dug a few potatoes. Turned oats.

Sat 27 Hauling out top dressing this forenoon. Got in oats and wheat this afternoon. Trustees met here this evening.

Mon 29 Had a lamb killed this morning. Raining this morning. Getting out top dressing Hauled out hen manure on strawberries. Took tea with Mrs. W this evening at G H F's.

Tues 30 Doing odd jobs about the place this morning. Drove to Kingston this PM with Eliza Gorham who leaves us today. Got a bag of buckwheat flour from Waddell's.

1884 October

Wed 1st Hauling out top dressing this morning. Hauled chips from the yard in the afternoon. Justus & Mrs. Pickett here to dinner and staid until evening.

Th 2nd Hauling chips all day. Maria left for home today intends returning in a fortnight. Allan and Maggie Frost came this evening. Maggie will remain until Maria returns.

Fri 3rd Finished top dressing strawberries – hauled a load of mud from pile near Mill dam for slop hole. Commenced digging out potatoes.

Sat 4 Raining and foggy. Went to Moss Glen this morning to look for cattle that had strayed away – did not get them. Doing little jobs about the home.

Mon 6 Digging potatoes all day. Dug out all the fine's found them a very fair crop – not much rotted.

Tues 7 Working at potatoes all day. Getting out 'early rose' – not so good a yield as fine's – not many bad ones.

Wed 8 Went down to C Puddington's this morning and brought home my cattle, that had come home with his. Digging potatoes all day.

Th 9 Attended Annual School Meeting today. Finished digging potatoes in the afternoon. Had nearly 50 bushels altogether of good potatoes.

Fri 10 Taking weeds out of new strawberry plants. Picked up windfall apples. Did not find cows tonight.

Sat 11 Composting manure for raspberries today.

Mon 13 Gathered 'Pond' apples today – had nearly two barrels. Raining this afternoon – heavy thunder shower. Worked at old house this afternoon.

Tues 14 Worked at old house most of the day. Cold and blustery.

Wed 15 Drove to ST. John today and returned. Maggie went with me. Very cold – snow squall in the afternoon.

Th 16 Gathering apples today – fine and warm. Trustees meeting this evening. A special one.

Fri 17 Raining part of the day. Worked all day in old milk room.

Sat 18 Fine. Got in carrots, beets, and turnips today. Gathering apples in the afternoon.

Mon 20 Took our baby to Kingston Church yesterday morning and had him baptized – Name David Lee. Went on to Norton after the ceremony and returned

The old house referred to is the section to the left and the original David Wetmore place. Howard inherited the property when his father's estate was settled following Mrs. Wetmore's death. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

home in the evening. Gathered apples today had about 10 barrels of good ones. Working at old kitchen in the afternoon. Maria Pierce returned today. Mrs. Pierce & R Harrity's house burned today.

Tues 21 Working at old house part of the day. Attended to weighing G H Flewelling's crop of carrots competing for prize of Agr. Soc.

Wed 22 Working at old house all day. Heavy southerly wind. W A Pitt's steamer 'Maggie Noble' burned at Rothesay today.

Th 23 Raining part of the day. Working at old house and repairing children's shoes.

Fri 24 Working at old kitchen today.

Sat 25 Working all day at old kitchen getting ready for plastering.

Mon 27 Working at old house. Went to Moss Glen this afternoon for a load of lath. Strong SW wind all day with rain this evening.

Tues 28 Working at kitchen all day. Raining nearly all day.

Wed 29 Working at kitchen. Slacked lime in the afternoon. Allan Frost and Mary came down in the evening. Al will stay to help me for awhile.

Th 30 M W Flewelling doing plastering for me today. Found I had not lime enough. Went to Moss Glen in the afternoon to try and get some but did not succeed. Will have to send to the kiln. Maggie and Mary drove home today.

Fri 31 Allan went to Torryburn for lime this morning returned before noon. Slacked lime in the afternoon, and started the plough in old strawberry field. James came today to take school here.

1884 November

Sat 1st M W F finished plastering first coat today. Flurry of snow last night. Clearing away from foundation of porch. Got threshing machine and set it up this afternoon. James went to Reach to return tomorrow.

Mon 3 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday, with Allan. Maggie returned from there with us. Threshing today. Threshed and cleaned up wheat and oats. Austin and Gilbert helping us. James commenced school.

Tues 4 Allan ploughing all day – got one of David's horses in the afternoon to mate mine. Cow Cherry had a calf last night.

Wed 5 Raining nearly all day. M W F grazed walls in old kitchen today. Allan and I working at odd jobs about barn and house.

Th 6 Ploughing in orchard today. Broke up sod under the apple trees and commenced piece back of the hill. Thanksgiving Day.

Fri 7 Very cold last night. Worked at taking canes out of raspberries all day. Had lamb killed yesterday.

Sat 8 Finished taking out canes and commenced laying down raspberries today. Justus Pickett & wife here to tea this evening. James went to city today.

Mon 10 Frozen hard this morning. Cleaned out privy vault and hauled out manure for raspberries today. Hauled two loads of mud from pile near Mill Pond dam. Worked at laying down raspberries toward night. Elsie commenced school today.

Tues 11 Laying down raspberries all day. Finished tonight. Mild and warm.

Wed 12 Fine and cool. Getting manure on raspberries today.

Th 13 Finished manuring raspberries. Took compost from under the stable and filled in with fresh mud. Raining this evening.

Fri 14 Banked house today. Fine and cool.

Sat 15 Laid foundation for porch and framed sills today.

Mon 17 Working at porch. Put up frame and commenced boarding in. Mild and warm, cloudy.

Tues 18 Cold and windy. Working at porch. Got it ready for shingling. Got 5 bunches cedar shingles from Mary Ann Wetmore and commenced laying the roof.

Wed 19 Cold and calm, threatening storm. Finished shingling roof today. Got some from D P Wetmore.

Th 20 Snowing nearly all day. Allan and I working at putting up hall stove up stairs. Had to cut a pipe hole through a partition before doing so. Put up stove in James's room.

Fri 21 Fine and moderate. Allan working at shingling around porch on old kitchen. Mended boots – put on winter sashes today. About three inches of snow fell – made fair sleighing on the roads.

Sat 22 Commenced cutting brush today. Working back of little meadow. Did not haul any.

Mon 24 Allan went home yesterday. James drove him up in the sleigh taking Maggie along for a visit home, they returned in the evening. Heavy rain last night and part of today. Took off all the snow. Doing odd jobs about the house.

Tues 25 Fine. J S W killed pigs for me today – smallest one weighed 146 lbs., largest one 223. Sold small one to Justus for 7¼

Wed 26 Raining again today. Cut up pork and prepared it for pickling.

Th 27 Commenced hauling brush today. Gilbert Wetmore helping me. Got in 8 loads on upper piece. Fine but not frozen hard enough to drive on the fields.

Fri 28 Raining today. Hauled one load of brush this morning – horse fell and broke wagon shaft. Spent the rest of the day making new shaft. Gilbert spread brush until noon.

Sat 29 Raining nearly all day with warm SW wind, changed to NW in the afternoon and cleared off. Doing little things about house and workshop. School trustee meeting this evening.

1884 December

Mon 1 Fine and cool. Getting brush all day, Gilbert helping in the afternoon.

Tues 2 Fine working all day at brush with Gilbert. Finished upper piece and got five loads on lower field. River closed last night except a few spots. Gondola Point ferry has been running all day.

Wed 3 Fine and mild. Finished getting on brush today. River closed entirely last night. Not cold enough to make strong ice.

Th 4 Fine and warm. Ice broke up in many places today. Getting wood in wood house today. Mrs. J Pickett called this evening.

Fri 5 Another fine day. Hauling out top dressing from manure shed and spreading it in meadows. Ice thawed out of the river.

Sat 6 Cloudy and warm. Threatening storm all day. Finished getting out top dressing and put mud in manure shed.

Mon 8 Raining nearly all day yesterday. Dull and cloudy today, not cold. Opened drain from watering tub at the barn and laid it anew. Corn went to St. John with one of David's for a load for James.

Tues 9 Snowed a little last night. Doing some jobs about barn yard this forenoon. Stored express wagon for winter under shed in the yard. Cleaning out cellar in the P.M.

Wed 10 Worked all day in cellar, fitting it up for winter. Turned cold today – being sharp tonight will probably close river.

Th 11 Banked up cellar door today, and did other little jobs about home. Found my horse ailing. Came on to snow this afternoon, river closed last night.

Fri 12 Fine. Working about home. Put some glass in school house windows. Not snow enough to make good sleighing.

Sat 13 Fine. Doing little things about the place. Horse has his throat swollen so that he can scarcely eat anything. Have been trying to do something to relieve him.

Mon 15 Cold Saturday night almost down to zero – first crossing the ice on foot here yesterday. Snow storm this morning, snow turned to rain and continued until evening. Took off nearly all the snow. Cutting up soft wood in the wood house today. Horse a little better, but does not eat much yet.

Tues 16 Fine and mild today. Splitting wood in wood house. E Gorham here this evening commenced snowing this evening.

Wed 17 About 2 inches of snow fell last night – snowing again this P.M.. Put away farm wagon and got out sleds today. Working at old kitchen.

Th 18 About 6 inches of snow fell last night. Cleared off this afternoon. Ice only fit to cross on foot yet. Working at kitchen. Put windows in west end today.

Fri 19 Very cold and windy today down to zero nearly all day. 12 below tonight. Maggie F went home today with G H F, who was going to Hampton. Working at home today. Horse very much better.

Sat 20 Coldest day of the season. 18 below zero this morning and wind blowing strong. Working about house – fitted up milk room. Horse crossed the ice here this morning.

Mon 22 Very cold yesterday morning but moderated during the day and came out snow before evening. Storm turned to rain during the night, and rained most of the day today. Took off nearly all the snow. Working at house all day.

Tues 23 Rained all last night, cleared off this morning and turned colder. Roads nearly bare of snow. No travel except on wheels. Ice very poor in spots but fit to drive across in one place. Cleaned out water pipes at barn today. Went to Waddell's for buckwheat bran this afternoon.

Wed 24 Cold last night and today, came on to snow this afternoon and still continues. Doing little things about home. Preparing for Christmas. Ice good for a horse most anywhere.

Waddell Mill at Reeds Point. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B.)

Th 25 Snowing, and drifting all day, cleared off this evening. Wild Christmas, did not get to church. Traveling not good on the roads; bare in spots.

Fri 26 Fine and cold. Working about house. Arranged today for a new teacher in the school.

Sat 27 Cutting up some wood in wood house. Attended meeting of Masonic Lodge.

Mon 29 Weather moderated yesterday rained a little in the afternoon. Mild and warm today. Put in new stable floor today. J Pickett and wife here to dinner.

Tues 30 Finished stable flooring and fitted up about barn for winter. Fine and warm all day. Thawing ice and snow. James married today at Norton – came home this evening. Met with a party of friends gathered to receive him this evening.

Wed 31 Foggy all day. Very muddy roads – only fit for wheeling. Working at school room this P.M. putting up partition &c.

1885 January

Thur 1st Mild and foggy all day. Came on to rain towards evening and turned to snow which has covered the mud already. Ice scarcely fit for teams. Working at school room most of the day.

Fri 2nd Fine and cold. Light snow last night. Fitting up little things about the house. Thermometer down almost to zero tonight.

Sat 3rd Fine and cold 10 below zero last night. Cut some old trees in orchard today, hauled them with home branches to wood yard for firewood.

Mon 5 Mild weather, cutting wood at door in the morning. Cutting some fencing on the hill in the afternoon.

Tues 6 Cutting fencing this morning. Snow came on about noon, soon turned to rain. J Pickett here with Minnie and Celia Frost to dinner. Minnie remains for a day or two. Hurbert Gorham came today intending to board here while attending school this winter.

Wed 7 Foggy all day. Drove to Rothesay in the morning with Clara and Elsie on their way to St. John. Brought them back in the afternoon. Took Elsie down to Dr. Holden to have her eyes treated. J Pickett and wife came in the evening on their way from Rothesay and took Minnie home with them.

Th 8 Colder, fine in the P.M. Down to see sawing machine this morning. Cutting fencing in the afternoon.

Fri 9 Strong SW wind all day. Preparing to fit up saw frame and gate for sawing machine. Intending to get my wood cut up in the woods with A H F.

Sat 10 Raining this morning – cold and clear tonight with heavy wind. Fitted up saw frame today – will leave the other part of work until the saw comes out of the woods.

Mon 12 Heavy SW wind and rain today. Making axe handles today.

Tues 13 Fine and colder. Working about the house this morning. Went to the woods this afternoon to help move out the horse power for sawing wood.

Wed 14 Fine and colder. Working in the woods at sawing wood all day.

Th 15 All day in the woods, sawing wood. Not very cold. Snow storm came on this evening. James and Julia here to tea.

Fri 16 Two or three inches of snow fell last night – did not make good sledding. Storming some today – did not get to woods. Repairing winter shoes, snowing again this evening.

Sat 17 About four or five inches of snow fell during the night – turned to rain about noon today and rained until evening – did not take off the snow – colder this evening. Mending shoes today. Cow 'Topsy' had a calf last night.

Mon 19 Turned cold and formed a crust on the snow Sat night. Good sledding on the roads. In the woods today working at sawing machine. Cold days. Got sheep killed today preparing to go to market tomorrow.

Tues 20 Drove to St. John today for load of supplies. Took Elsie with me to see the Dr. again. Found my horse not fit for hard work yet.

Wed 21 In the woods today working at the saw. Snowing a little.

Th 22 Very cold and windy. Did not go to the woods. Doing little things about home. About 10 below zero tonight.

Fri 23 Still very cold – milder in the afternoon. Did not go to the woods. Drove to Rothesay in the evening for freight.

Sat 24 In the woods all day. Snow storm came on in the P.M.. Allan and Annie came down today, will remain until tomorrow.

Mon 26 Quite mild today, working at some repairs on sawing machine. Went to the woods in the afternoon to put the machine in order for tomorrow's work.

Tues 27 Very cold and windy. Working in woods all day.

Wed 28 Very cold 10 below zero this morning, snowing heavily all day. Working in the cellar most of the day.

Th 29 Fine, but cold and windy, with snow drifting. Spent most of the day opening water pipe at the barn, which had stopped.

Fri 30 Fine. Went to woods today, sawing wood for A H F & M W F. Still quite cold.

Sat 31 Fine and cold. Sawing wood again today for A H F and self. Finished sawing in the woods. Intend to haul wood in the log and saw it at the door in the spring.

1885 February

Mon 2 10 below zero yesterday morning – moderated very much before night. Snow storm came on in the evening and lasted all night about 6 inches fell. Quite mild this morning, but soon commenced to blowing and drifting. Cold again this evening. Working about house and barn today. David W Puddington died this morning.

Tues 3 Cold and drifting snow. Attended Mr Puddington's funeral this afternoon.

Wed 4 Weather moderated some today. Hauled my wood from sawing machine. Mrs. Margaret Wetmore died today.

Th 5 Another heavy snow storm came on this afternoon and still continues. Working about home today.

Fri 6 Milder weather. Went to woods this afternoon with A H F to look up place to get our wood found about 2 feet snow in woods.

Sat 7 Snowing nearly all day with north wind – not cold. My horse has been failing so fast that it seems useless to keep him any longer. Took him to the woods today and left him there – dead.

Mon 9 Fine and warm. Heavy drifts from Saturday's snow, shoveling snow nearly all day to open road to the woods.

Tues 10 Finished shoveling on road to woods, but did not get the teams out as it came on to storm at noon – sleet which turned to rain before night with very heavy SE wind. Will get D P Wetmore's team to haul my wood.

Wed 11 Got started with the teams today to break road to the woods. Could not haul much got in three drags each on bob sleds.

Th 12 Cold and fine. Drove to St. John today for a load of supplies with D P W's horse. Brought home another horse with me belonging to W H Merritt, who will let me have the use of it for a while.

Fri 13 Commenced hauling wood today with the new horse got in 5 loads. Got the road quite well broken by night.

Sat 14 Hauling wood all day –got in 5 loads. Got 2 new shoes on horse. Mrs. DPW., Mrs. RWW & Mrs. EMW here to tea. Fine and cold.

Mon 16 Hauling wood got in 7 loads. Fine.

Tues 17 Snowing heavily most of the day – cleared off towards evening. Working about barn and work shop.

Wed 18 Fine and cold. Hauling wood all day. Got 6 loads.

Th 19 Hauling wood all day, got in 6 loads

Fri 20 Got in 6 loads of wood today. Fine and mild

Sat 21 Hauled 4 loads of wood and finished getting my share. Got in 40 loads altogether. Mr & Mrs. Frost and Minnie came this evening. Minnie intends staying here to attend school.

Mon 23 Mr & Mrs. Frost returned home yesterday afternoon taking little Annie with them. Working at barn water pipe today. Took up four lengths of it and found a hole in it which allowed stones and dirt to get in.

Tues 24 Hauling wood all day for A H Flewelling to help him finish.

Wed 25 Doing little things about home. Had calf killed today. Preparing to go to St. John tomorrow. Cow 'Gypsy' had a calf this evening. Out to tea at D P W's this evening.

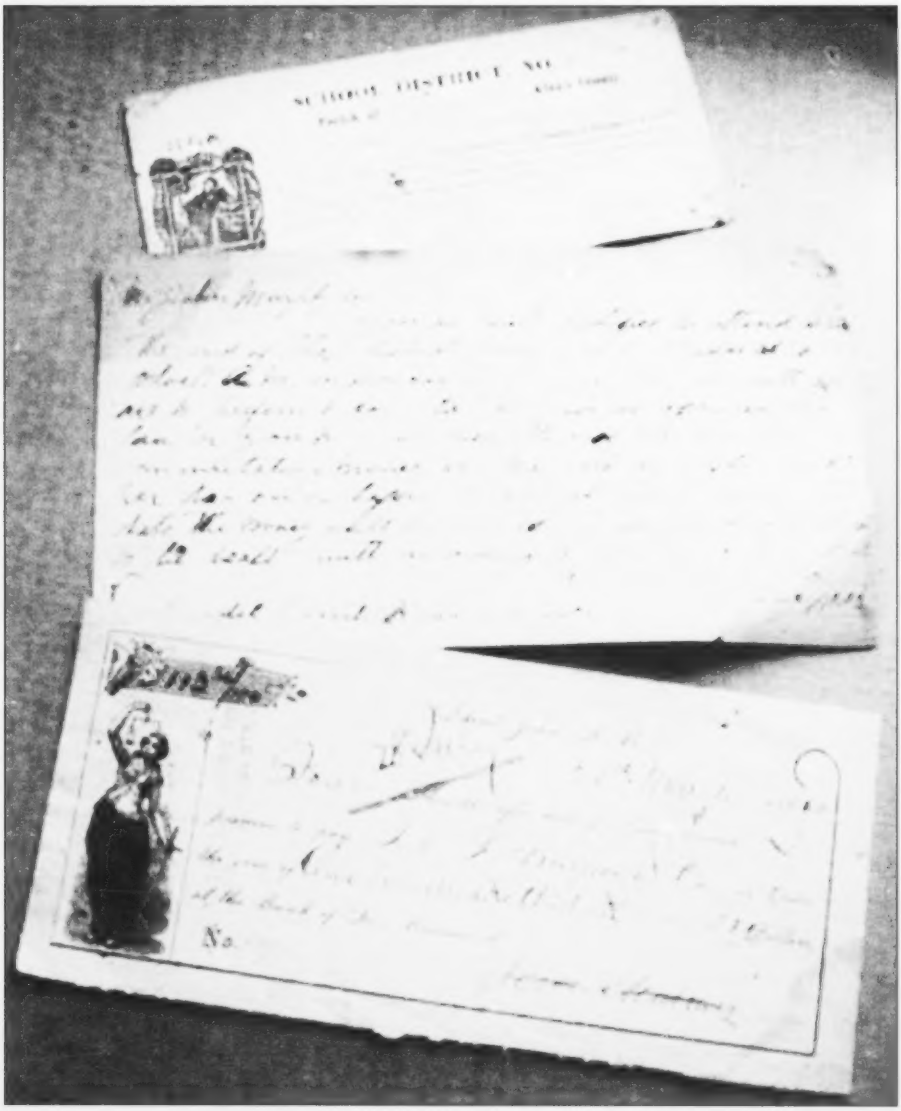
Th 26 Drove to St. John today and returned. Left veal with Geo Wetmore to be marketed. Bargained with W H Merritt for the horse I have been driving of his. Am to pay him $125.00 for him.

Fri 27 Fine. Working nearly all day at making new sawing machine.

Sat 28 Clara went to Hampton this afternoon with James and Julia to return this evening. Heifer 'Spot' had a calf today.

1885 March

Mon 2 Commenced raining last evening and continued nearly all today. Cleared off fine this evening. Worked at repairing boots nearly all day. Strong south wind with the rain.



School receipt, bridge work request.[2] *(Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)*

Tues 3 Fine. Drove to the "Point" this morning to collect school taxes. Working at sawing machine most of the day.

Wed 4 Working at sawing machine all day. Snowing this evening.

Th 5 Working at machine this morning. Drove to Norton in the afternoon with Clara and the children.

Fri 6 Returned from Norton this afternoon bringing Annie home with us. Mr & Mrs. Zebulm Jones called this evening.

Sat 7 Worked at making sawing machine nearly all day.

Mon 9 Working at saw frame today most of the time.

Tues 10 Snowing and blowing today. Working at frame.

Wed 11 Cold and windy. Working at frame.

Th 12 Cold and below zero last night. Cold and windy today. Drove to St. John for oats and cow feed. Took tea at James' this evening with Edwin F & Agnes who came to Clifton the evening before.

Fri 13 Cold and calm. Cutting fencing and raspberry stakes on the hill in pasture.

Sat 14 Snowing nearly all day, but not heavily. Doing little things about house and barn. Got a pig this afternoon from E Kirkpatrick about 4 months old for which I paid him $4.00

Mon 16 Raining heavily until noon today. Cleared off in the afternoon and turned colder toward night. Busy in the workshop this morning. Worked all the afternoon in the Armory cleaning rifles and accoutrements.

Tues 17 Snowed a little this morning, fine in the afternoon. Putting wood in the wood house this morning. Cutting fencing and raspberry stakes in the afternoon. Finished large mow of hay today.

Wed 18 Fine and cool. Cutting raspberry stakes this morning. Opened road and hauled out fencing this afternoon, did not get out stakes.

Th 19 Snowing, blowing and drifting this morning. Heaviest snow storm of the winter. Fine this evening and quite cold. Working in shop nearly all day.

Fr 20 Shoveling snow and breaking roads this morning. Working in the workshop this afternoon. More snow falling today.

Sat 21 Shoveled out road to woods this morning. Broke out this afternoon and hauled in raspberry stakes. Blowing and drifting all day – very cold for the season. Turned out this evening to shovel out road near church to let the mail carrier through on his way to the Reach.

Mon 23 Spent the day breaking out road to mud swamp. Found about 3 feet of snow in the woods. Cold and windy.

Tues 24 Went to mud swamp this forenoon. Shoveled away snow and got in part of a load at noon. Commenced getting ice in the afternoon with J S Wetmore and Gilbert, got in two loads.

Wed 25 Mild – snow squalls all day. Got five loads of ice today, did not haul all day on account of the storm.

Th 26 Hauling ice nearly all day. Put in 27 blocks altogether, finished before night.

Fri 27 Snow squall this morning, strong southerly wind all day. Got in two small loads of mud today. Mr Frost came at noon on his way from St. John.

Sat 28 Fine and very warm – snow melting fast. Tried hauling mud this afternoon but found the road too soft. Working in shop this afternoon.

Mon 30 Celia died at Andover yesterday morning – a dispatch was received here in the afternoon announcing it. Richard and James started today to go up to the funeral. She leaves an infant son about three weeks old. Hauling mud all day – got in five loads.

Tues 31 Strong southerly wind, but cool. Got in six loads of mud today.

1885 April

Wed 1 Rained last night – very warm and thawing today. Drove to Moss Glen this morning for a load of sawdust. Working in shop afternoon. Got two calves killed today, preparing for market tomorrow.

Th 2 Drove to St. John today with 2 carcasses of veal for market, left them with Geo Wetmore to be sold. Brought back load of C.S. meal. Found traveling quite good for the season – a few bare spots on the road.

Fri 3 Good Friday. Raining part of the day. Doing little jobs about house and barn. Attended Service at the Hall in the afternoon.

Sat 4 Storming nearly all day – snow and sleet at first which turned to rain, raining heavily this evening. Went to mud swamp in the morning but found the road not hard enough to haul on. Worked in shop at new doors.

Mon 6 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday – Easter Sunday. Damp snow falling today. Worked in shop nearly all day. Pair of twin lambs came today. First of season.

Tues 7 Hauling sawdust from Moss Glen for ice. Got three loads. Fine and warm.

Wed 8 Hauled two loads of sawdust from Moss Glen this morning. Drizzling rain came on before noon and still continues. Worked at making new doors this afternoon.

Th 9 Worked all day in shop at doors. Fine in the afternoon.

Fri 10 Hauled two loads sawdust from Moss Glen this morning. Have enough to cover ice. Drove over to Lee Flewelling's this afternoon and bought a pair of boots. Attended entertainment at Hall this evening.

Sat 11 Hauled one load of mud this morning. Don't expect to get any more have only about 15 loads. Opened cellar door today.

Mon 13 Fine and warm. Snow and ice have been melting away fast during the last few days. Wagons are being used on the road. Crossing has been good on the ice yet. Cutting wood today. Tapped a few trees up the brook.

Tues 14 Fine – cutting wood all day. Ice wasting fast – last crossing with horse here yesterday.

Wed 15 Crossed the ice on foot this morning with box of butter to send to market. Made crutch for E H F today. Cutting up wood.

Th 16 Cutting up wood and dressing out raspberry stakes. Ice wasting fast. Crossed on foot today for last time – ferry not yet open.

Fri 17 Finished raspberry stakes today. Doing odd jobs about house and barn.

Sat 18 Put up new sawing machine today, preparing to saw wood next week. Fine and warm – river open at Gondola Point today, but no crossing yet.

Mon 20 Fine and warm. Ice and snow wasting fast. Gondola Point ferry running today. Fitting up wood sawing machine this morning. Put sashes over rhubarb this evening.

Tues 21 Doing odd jobs about the place this morning. Clearing up barn yard this afternoon. River clear of ice as far down as the island.

Wed 22 Repairing lane fence this morning. Working about house and shop this afternoon. Dull and threatening rain.

Th 23 Working most of the day in the shop at new doors. Fine.

Fri 24 Hauling sawdust from banking this morning. Moved horse power and sawing machine from D P W's preparing to cut up my wood. Hubert Gorham went home today to remain.

Sat 25 Set sawing machine in place and commenced sawing my wood, A H Flewelling helping me, spent most of the day getting the machine in good working order and teaching the horse to work it.

Mon 27 Storming most of the day. Snow and rain. Sawing wood the latter part of the afternoon.

Tues 28 Sawing wood nearly all day. Prepared to go to St. John in the evening by train to attend Grand Lodge, but did not get off as the ferryman did not come for me.

Wed 29 Raining heavily this morning. Decided to leave the rest of my wood for the present and cut for Rev D I W & A H F. Moved sawing machine to the parsons wood and commenced sawing in the afternoon. Broke the crank and had to stop before night. Heavy rain came on again towards night and lasted all evening.

Th 30 Wet and cold this morning. Commenced sawing about 10 o'clock and kept it up nearly all day. Fine this evening.

1885 May

Fri 1 Fine and cool. Snow still showing in many places. Ground too damp and cold for farming purposes. Sawing wood nearly all day, finished Rev D I W's wood. Put up a piece of lane fence in the afternoon.

Sat 2 Cold and wet – raining all day. Working about house. Took up potatoes to sprout. 'Novelty' – commenced running today.

Mon 4 Fine and cold. Hard frost last night. Sheared sheep today.

Tues 5 Frost again last night. Drove to Philo Northrup's today for a load of hay.

Wed 6 Took up raspberry plants today and commenced taking brush off strawberry fields.

Th 7 Taking off brush all day. Finished lower piece and half of upper. Got horse shod.

Fri 8 Ploughed a piece of ground above hen house – planted a few potatoes and prepared for peas. Set two more rows blackberries. Clara and Minnie with the children drove to Norton this afternoon to remain until Sunday.

Sat 9 Finished taking off brush this forenoon – raining this afternoon.

Mon 11 Clara and the family returned home yesterday evening. Worked all day repairing pasture fence and making new brush fence across back pasture.

Tues 12 Drove to St. John today with butter, eggs, rhubarb and fowls. Orders published today for volunteers from New Brunswick to prepare to proceed to the North West. One company of the 74th to go of which I am to furnish 7 men.

Wed 13th Spent nearly all day looking up men to volunteer for service, did not succeed in getting enough. Drove to Moss Glen, Midlands, Kingston.

Th 14 Went across the river looking for men – secured three. Put in some oats today.

Fri 15 Sent Clarence F with my horse to Kingston to summon men. Cutting canes out of raspberries. David Evans one of the volunteers came here this morning to remain until the troops are started for the NW.

Sat 16 Hauled top dressing from hen house and put in oats in upper meadow.

Mon 18 Dispatch came yesterday to send men to Sussex by noon train today. Notified them yesterday afternoon. Spent this afternoon getting them off. Troops go into camp at Sussex for awhile to await orders. Reil was captured on Saturday. Sowed grass seed and rolled the land. Hauled out manure back of hill where I expect to set strawberry plants.

Tues 19 Drove to P Northrup's for another load of hay this afternoon. Rained last night and again this afternoon and evening.

Wed 20 Thunder showers last night. Finished hauling manure for strawberry ground and ploughed land. Sowed oats one part of the field and harrowed the rest.

Th 21 Sent crate of rhubarb to city by 'Novelty' this morning. Set strawberry plants today – Burt Flewelling helping me.

Fri 22 Fixing fence this morning to keep cows in pasture. Prepared ground and put in carrots, turnips, and beet seed. Cultivated lower strawberry field and commenced hoeing them.

Sat 23 Raining part of the forenoon. Out to repair pasture fence again. Cutting canes out of raspberries, setting stakes. Allan came down last evening and took Minnie home to stay until Monday.

Mon 25 Rainy and foggy all day. Set one row raspberry plants. Working in shop in the afternoon.

Tues 26 Foggy this morning cleared off in the afternoon. Working all day in raspberries. Trimming them out, setting stakes and tying up. Minnie returned today. Joseph Harrity went to work for me today, expect to keep him with me for awhile. Find raspberries are likely to be very poor – winter killed – very much. Volunteers returned from camp at Sussex today – not being required to go out west.

Wed 27 Hoeing strawberries – cultivated part of upper field and commenced hoeing. Rain came on in the afternoon and drove us off. Tied up some raspberries.

Th 28 Hoeing strawberries all day. Sent off crate of rhubarb by 'Novelty' this morning.

Fri 29 Hoeing strawberries with Joe. Fine and dry.

Sat 30 Finished hoeing Strawberry fields. Clara went to city today on 'Novelty'.

1885 June

Mon 1 Raining all day. Doing little things about house and barn. Made out school assessment list.

Tues 2 Still raining – showing signs of clearing off tonight. Working about house and workshop all day. Cold with wind.

Wed 3 Repairing pasture fence this morning. Land too wet to work. Took out old willow stump in orchard. Joe took canes out of raspberry rows.

Th 4 Raining part of day. Oiled harness this forenoon. Went to Moss Glen this afternoon for load of saw dust.

Fri 5 Cross ploughed sod land in orchard and piece near barn this A.M., commenced planting potatoes in orchard this afternoon J Harrity helping. Sent wool to Oxford Mills today – 39 lbs washed from 9 sheep.

Sat 6 Finished planting potatoes today – Purdy helping us.

Mon 8 Prepared ground for planting corn and beans today. Cultivated blackberry plants and new raspberries. Joseph hoeing them. Raining some today. Mrs. Frost came tonight by 'Novelty'.

Tues 9 Cultivated more raspberries – Joseph hoeing them. Planted corn, beans and pumpkin seed. Commenced preparing ground for fodder corn. Attended lodge meeting.

Wed 10 Worked all day preparing land for corn – cultivated last raspberries. Joe hoeing.

Th 11 Planted fodder corn today. Set two rows comfrey. Thunder shower this afternoon.

Fri 12 Put in buckwheat back of orchard. Cultivated more strawberry plants. Joe finished hoeing raspberries.

Sat 13 Commenced cultivating and hoeing strawberries second time. Got horse shod this afternoon. Doing odd jobs about the place.

Mon 15 Spent most of the day getting out school and road tax bills. Joe taking weeds out of raspberries and hoeing strawberries.

Tues 16 Hoeing strawberries all day. Foggy this evening. Cultivated upper field today.

Wed 17 Hauled fencing down the hill today – broke wagon wheel and gear pole. Joe forking over manure this morning, hoeing strawberries this P.M..

Th 18 Finished hoeing strawberries second time, got freight by 'Novelty' this evening.

Fri 19 Working in shop part of the day. Moved sawing machine to A H F's wood pile and set it up for work. Joe fixing fence around meadow and forking over sheep manure.

Sat 20 Sawing wood for A H F most of the day. Joe working at manure pile and taking stones off new strawberry field. Cows laid out tonight.

Mon 22 Sawing wood for A H F most of the day. Showers during the day. Wet and foggy this evening. Rain much needed for crops.

Tues 23 Finished sawing A H F wood this forenoon. Moved machine to my wood yard. Cultivated potatoes, raspberries and blackberries in the afternoon. Joe washed wagons this morning.

Wed 24 Joe hoeing potatoes today. Worked in shop repairing wheel.

Th 25 Working most of day at wheel. Joe hoeing. Not well today.

Fri 26 Finished repairing wheel today. Dry weather.

Sat 27 Foggy nearly all day. Joseph not at work. Prepared to set up horse power for sawing this morning. Thinning out raspberry shoots this afternoon.

Mon 29 Hoeing and thinning out raspberries all day.

Tues 30 Raining most of the day. Got horse power set up for sawing wood. Doing little jobs about house and barn.

1885 July

Wed 1 Fitted up for sawing wood and commenced sawing this morning. Attended funeral of Will W Flewelling this afternoon, who was killed on the railway near Boston.

Th 2 Raining part of the forenoon, sawing wood all the afternoon A H F helping me.

Fri 3 Cultivated new strawberry plants, vegetable and fodder corn. Joe hoeing all day. Finished hoeing and thinning out raspberries.

Sat 4 Drove to polling place this morning to vote for R E McLeod. Sawing wood this afternoon.

Mon 6 Drove to Norton yesterday to take Minnie home for the holidays. Took Elsie, Annie and Lewis with me. Sawing wood most of the day. Heavy showers this afternoon.

Tues 7 Finished sawing my wood today.

Wed 8 Raining most of the day. Repairing harnesses and children's shoes, and doing other little jobs about house.

Th 9 Weeding strawberries. Picked ten quarts today – first of the season. Moved horse power and sawing machine to D P W's barn place to be stored away.

Fri 10 Weeding strawberries most of the day. Fitted up tables for berry pickers. Foggy and dull with showers.

Sat 11 Busy today with making preparations for picking &c. Commenced making crates, finished weeding strawberries, cultivated and commenced hoeing potatoes seemed time.

Mon 13 Mrs. J Pickett came from Kingston Church with me yesterday and I drove her home in the evening. Quite a large pick of berries today. Drove to St. John with a load in the afternoon and returned in the evening.

Tues 14 Making crates most of the day. Joe finished hoeing potatoes – sent him to Moss Glen for a load of crate lumber.

Wed 15 Working at crates today. Joe hauling sawdust from Moss Glen.

Th 16 Thinned out carrots and turnips – cultivated and hoed fodder corn. Large pick of berries today. Drove to St. John with a load in the evening.

Fri 17 Returned from city this forenoon. Finished making lot of crates this afternoon. Taking weeds out of raspberries.

Sat 18 Been with berries most of the day. Largest pick of the season. Joe hoeing raspberries. Drove to J Pickett's this evening for chickens.

Mon 20 Drove to Kingston yesterday with the family – left them at Justus Pickett's while I was at church, returned home in the evening. Busy with berries, drove to city with berries today. Commenced haying by cutting some lodge grass.

Tues 21 Dull with rain in the afternoon, did not get in my hay.

Wed 22 Dull this morning – mowed some light grass – did not make any hay. Fine in the afternoon, attended Tea Meeting and Festival at church ground.

Th 23 Cut clover field this forenoon. Got in two loads hay and put up the rest. Drove to St. John in evening with berries.

Fri 24 Not a good hay day. Returned from St. John this morning. Got in two loads of hay in good order. Put in three loads of clover which must go out again, as it is too green. Threatening rain.

Sat 25 Raining heavily this morning – fine this afternoon. Picking berries nearly all day, as the pickers could not finish in time.

Mon 27 Fine. Busy with hay all day – cut side hill lot. Put clover out to dry.

Tues 28 Working in hay field. Got in three loads.

Wed 29 Haying all day. Put in two loads. Picked first raspberries today.

Th 30 Fine hay day. Put in 5 loads.

Fri 31 Dull. Did not cut much hay. Put in three loads. Drove to Rothesay this evening with load of berries.

1885 August

Sat 1 Fine. Haying all day. Put in three loads. Finished cutting all of home meadow except orchard.

Mon 3 Fine. Busy with the hay. Put in two loads. Got D P W's mowing machine to cut some for me today in upper meadow.

Tues 4 Dull – Threatening rain – with strong east wind. Put in 4 loads hay. Mowed with machine this forenoon, and put up the hay before night, although very green.

Wed 5 Raining this morning – did not last long. Cleared off in the afternoon. Drove to Mr Waddell's this morning to collect school taxes. Started the mowing machine this afternoon mowed some for A H F and cut all the remaining grass in my apple meadow.

Th 6 Haymaking all day put in four loads.

Fri 7 Fine. Busy with hay. Finished upper meadow, and cut part of little meadow. Put in 5 loads.

Sat 8 Fine. Finished cutting hay today. Put in 5 loads. Have about two loads standing out yet.

Mon 10 Finished haying today. Put in two loads – 45 altogether. More than last year. Let Joseph Harrity go today. To help Mrs. Wetmore, Gemma Flewelling came today.

Tues 11 Misty and foggy. Fitted up place for creamer at the house. Cleaned out well. Hauled a load of fencing down the hill this afternoon and repaired some meadow fence. Dr. S B Allen called today.

Wed 12 Picking berries this morning. Weeding strawberries this afternoon and hoeing weeds out of raspberries.

Th 13 Pulling weeds most of the day. Picnic from St. John today, came by steamer 'Bellisle'. Minnie came today to attend school again. Allan brought her down.

Fri 14 Rained heavily last night. Foggy and wet today. Cleared out under stable this morning. Repairing shoes this afternoon.

Sat 15 F ine. Drove to Mr. Regan's this morning to get coat cut. Mr Campbell who lectures at the Hall this evening came today with horse to remain until Monday. Cultivated new strawberry plants this afternoon and commenced hoeing them.

Mon 17 Fine. Hoed new strawberry plants, beets, carrots & turnips. Drove to Kingston Church yesterday afternoon.

Tues 18 Raining this morning and again this evening. Put away horse rake. Weeding strawberries.

Wed 19 Hauling out top dressing for strawberries. Foggy with thunder showers about noon.

Th 20 Cultivated part of strawberries in lower field and commenced hoeing them. Clara and Mrs. D P W drove to Norton this evening with my horse to attend "Garden Party"

Fri 21 Hauled load of top dressing from J E W's this morning. Put lines through blackberry rows and picked them. Hoeing strawberries. Mrs. J S Wetmore died last night.

Sat 22 Raining this morning did not last long. Set some strawberry plants to fill up blanks in rows. Hauled out manure and cultivated rest of lower field.

Mon 24 Hoeing strawberries all day. Dull and foggy. Little one sick. Attended funeral of Mrs. Wetmore's yesterday. First grave in the new church yard.

Tues 25 Drove to Kingston this morning to Dr. Paddock for baby who is quite ill. Finished lower strawberry field and hauled out some top dressing on upper hill.

Wed 26 Mowed lower piece of oats this morning. Hauled more manure and cultivated a few rows in upper strawberry field. Commenced hoeing them. Baby no better.

Th 27 Hoeing strawberries this morning. Drove to Norton in the afternoon for Mrs. Frost who came home with me to help take care of baby who seems very ill. Sewing Circle held a sale today.

Fri 28 Hauled out some top dressing this morning. Put in oats this afternoon. Justus Pickett came this evening intending to go to St. John on the steamer 'Novelty'

Sat 29 Cultivated and hoed strawberries. Mowed oats in upper meadow this afternoon. J Pickett here this evening on his way home from St. John.

Mon 31 Raining nearly all day. Doing little jobs about the place. Baby does not improve any.

1885 September

Tues 1 Dull and foggy. Repairing pasture fence this morning. Got horse shod. Hauling out top dressing this afternoon.

Wed 2 Fine. Repairing pasture fence again this morning to keep cows in. Hauling out manure for strawberries this afternoon.

Th 3 Hauling out manure this morning – finished hauling what was in the shed – did not have quite enough. Got in a load of oats this afternoon. Mowed oats back of hill.

Fri 4 Dressing strawberries nearly all day. Baby getting better.

Sat 5 Drove to Norton today with Mrs. Frost, took the girls with us and left Annie there. Brought Lewis home who had been stopping there since Mrs. Frost came away. Gilbert came up from St. John tonight on the 'Novelty'

Mon 7 Hoeing nearly all day. Got in last oats from back hill.

Tues 8 Picnic from Hampton in Clifton today – Gilbert went home in the steamer with them. Hoeing strawberries most of the day, had a lamb killed. Baby seems to be failing.

Wed 9 Raining all day. Drove to J R White's this morning to get cash for County School draft. Doing odd jobs in the afternoon.

Th 10 Finished cleaning out strawberries. Dug out some potatoes this afternoon.

Fri 11 Digging potatoes this morning, preparing to go St. John tomorrow. Killed 5 pair chickens. Drove to Norton for Mrs. Frost in the afternoon, who will remain for awhile to help take care of baby.

Sat 12 Drove to St. John and back today, took down 3 barrels potatoes.

Mon 14 Put black mud under stable and in manure shed this morning. Hauled sawdust from ice house to barn. Hauled 2 loads dry wood for cellar fire.

Tues 15 Cleaned out privy vault today and composted with black mud. Commenced hauling it out in strawberries. School picnic today on John Day's grounds. Drove up with a load after dinner and went for them again in the evening. Baby seems to be getting better.

Wed 16 Finished hauling out top dressing, and commenced hauling chips for kindling from the ship yard.

Th 17 Hauling chips all day. Put in 7 loads altogether – 56 barrels.

Fri 18 Doing some repairing about wood house with other odd jobs about the farm. Pulled pea vines and left them to dry.

Sat 19 Mrs. Frost left for home today. James drove her up going into Hampton on business for himself. Doing several little jobs about the place today. Took weeds out of new strawberry plants.

Mon 21 Heavy SW wind today. Worked most of the day at putting wood in the wood house. Baby gaining every day.

Tues 22 Putting in wood nearly all day.

Wed 23 Heavy rain this morning with strong east wind. Working in wood house and workshop most of the day. Little one not nearly so well today.

Th 24 Gathered N.B. apples today – pulled beans, took in pumpkins & tomatoes as there is every appearance of frost tonight.

Fri 25 Dug more potatoes found them rotting badly. Got horse power from D P W's lower barn intending to thresh tomorrow.

Sat 26 Threshed and cleaned up oats today. Threshed buckwheat in machine. Had only about 16 bush. oats from yield. A H F, Wright & Purdy helping me. Mary came tonight from Norton intending to stay until exhibition is over next week.

Mon 28 Doing little jobs about the house – putting wood in the wood house. Hauled out some hardwood ashes and spread on new strawberry plants.

Tues 29 Making preparations for exhibition tomorrow.

Wed 30 Attended Agricultural Exhibition Mould Loft of ship yard today. Quite a large gathering Many of our friends from Norton and Hampton here. Took seven prizes on animals and articles amounting in all to $5.10.

October

Th 1 Busy most of the day getting things set to rights after the exhibition. Mr Frost and Emma who remained overnight, went home this morning.

Fri 2 Finished getting wood in wood house and cleared up wood yard. Threshed out beans in the afternoon. J Pickett and wife with Aunt Cairie Frost came this evening

Sat 3 J Pickett returned home this morning taking Mary with him, his wife and her sister went to St. John by boat. Raining part of the day. Working in shop this afternoon Cut table corn and put it in.

Mon 5 Rained quite heavily Saturday night and last night. Cutting ties and canes out of raspberries today.

Tues 6 Digging potatoes today, got out all early row.

Wed 7 Raining nearly all day. Working at doors in the workshop most of the day. Visited the school in the afternoon.

Th 8 Attended Annual School meeting this morning. Was re-elected trustee. Gathering apples this afternoon.

Fri 9 Cold and dull. Ploughing back of orchard all day.

Sat 10 Digging potatoes today. Fine and warm. Went to see about some broken bridges on the road this morning.

Mon 12 Finished digging potatoes today, 'susie's' seem to be the best crop this year. W H Stackhouse here today to pay off his mortgage.

Tues 13 Clara and children drove to Kingston today. Elsie will stay for a few days. Working in cellar most of forenoon. Took up part of barn water pipe and opened the drain which was choked. Did not finish the job.

Wed 14 Raining all day with east wind. Working at doors in workshop.

Th 15 Working at water pipe and drain. Drove to Justus Wetmore's in the afternoon to borrow his pipe rods. Stopped at grist mill and bought some pig feed. Brought home sacks of hulls.

Fri 16 Finished work at water pipe and drain today. Sold some bridges for repairs in road. Clara and the children with Minnie drove to Norton this afternoon to remain for a day or two.

Sat 17 Cutting cane out of raspberries and blackberries today. Folks returned home this evening.

Mon 19 Finished cutting canes out of raspberries. Doing little jobs about the place. Richard had horse ploughing today.

Tues 20 Working nearly all day at doors in the house and shop. Got horse shod.

Wed 21 Working at doors all day. Got two of them fitted and hung.

Th 22 Working in house at carpentry work – commenced planing floors. Heavy rain this morning, but did not last long.

Fri 23 Planing flooring all day.

Sat 24 Finished flooring and cleaned out the old kitchen preparing to lay a new floor. Took up old flooring. Fine and cool.

Mon 26 Working at kitchen this morning. Got in carrots and turnips this afternoon – had 4 barrels of carrots and about 3 of turnips.

Tues 27 Election for councilors today. Went out to vote this morning. Commenced laying new floor this afternoon. John Dann and R W Wetmore elected.

All Saints, Clifton, c. 1890. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Wed 28 Laying flooring all day did not finish.

Th 29 Working all day at flooring. Finished kitchen floor. Rain this evening.

Fri 30 Raining all day with strong NE & North wind. Working at pantry floor.

Sat 31 Snowing all day and cold wind. Hauled load of gravel from Pitts for Church grounds. Attended meeting of the Agricultural Society at the Hall today.

1885 November

Mon 2 Drove to Moss Glen for some sand this morning. Mixed mortar and did some plastering in kitchen today. James drove my horse to Kingston and brought Emma Frost and Mrs. J Pickett.

Tues 3 Attended at the consecration of our New Church today. The Metropolitan and five Clergyman present. Annie & Harriet Frost up from St. John.

Wed 4 Working at kitchen most of the day. E P Flewelling called this afternoon and stayed to tea.

Th 5 Ploughing all day. Had Richard's horse with mine.

Fri 6 Raining this forenoon. Finished ploughing this afternoon.

Sat 7 Ploughed a little strip of sod near barn with one horse. Worked the rest of the day at house. Rain this evening

Mon 9 Raining all day. Wet most of the day yesterday. First regular service in the new church yesterday morning. Rev E P Flewelling officiating – Service again in the evening. Worked at repairing boots and shoes nearly all day today.

Tues 10 Fine. Commenced laying down raspberries. Emma Frost left for Kingston today. Minnie drove her up with my horse. Richard here this evening preparing to settle up Father's estate.

Wed 11 Worked at laying down raspberries nearly all day.

Th 12 Putting down raspberries this morning. Attended to sale of hogs bought by Agr. Society, and trial of side hill plow, this afternoon. Thanksgiving Day. Attended service in our church this evening.

Fri 13 Finished laying down raspberries today, commenced blackberries.

Sat 14 Raining nearly all day. Worked at repairing boots and children's shoes. Lumber for ceiling kitchen came from Hampton on the 'Novelty' today. Minnie went to St. John on boat to remain till Monday.

Mon 16 Drove to St. John and returned today. Attended to some 'estate' business while in the city. Minnie returned with me. Louis Riel hanged today.

Tues 17 Finished putting down blackberries and commenced hauling out manure for raspberries. Wrote to Agnes and Julia on estate business, remitting money.

Wed 18 Hauling out manure for raspberries, blackberries and rhubarb today.

Th 19 Snowed a little during the night – raining all day. Worked at repairing children's shoes, and in work shop.

Fri 20 Fine and cold. Put on some outside sashes this morning. Worked in shop this afternoon.

Sat 21 Cold and windy. Worked part of the day in house and shop. Commenced banking cellar wall today.

Mon 23 Finished banking cellar today. Ploughed through raspberries and commenced covering them. Intend covering them only partially.

Tues 24 Commenced cutting brush for strawberries today.

Wed 25 Fitted up wagon and commenced hauling brush today. Got in six loads.

Th 26 Spreading and cutting brush today.

Fri 27 Cutting brush this forenoon – hauling again this afternoon. Got in four loads working alone.

Sat 28 Hauling and spreading brush most of the day got in 5 loads. Drove to Waddell's mill toward night for a bag of buckwheat bran.

Mon 30 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday – brought Annie home with us, who had been stopping there for a fortnight. Clara drove to Justus Pickett's today with Mrs. J E W and returned this evening. Cutting brush all day.

1885 December

Tues 1 Hauling brush all day. Got in seven loads.

Wed 2 J S W butchered pig for me this morning. Spread and cut brush in the afternoon. Finished upper field.

Th 3 Cut up pork this morning – pig weighed 273 lbs. Hauled and cut brush in the afternoon. Got 3 loads.

Fri 4 Light snow last night. Cut brush nearly all day.

Sat 5 Commenced snowing this morning – turned to rain before noon and is raining heavily with strong east wind. Hauled three loads brush this morning. Repairing shoes and harnesses this afternoon.

Mon 7 Snow all went off with the rain Sat evening. Snowed again Sun night but not enough for sledding. Snow came on again this forenoon and continued in squalls all day. – drifting some. Hauled two loads brush today and spread some. Put up Hall stove.

Tues 8 Cut and hauled brush today – got in three loads, hauled on sled. Attended Lodge meeting tonight.

Wed 9 Raining all day with SW wind. Snow all gone tonight. Ice formed in river last night but broke up again today. Worked at house most of the day.

Th 10 Rain and mist this morning. Worked at house part of the day. Put chip dirt in slop hole and banked hen house this afternoon.

Fri 11 Spreading and cutting brush most of the day. Ground not frozen enough for hauling.

Sat 12 Finished hauling and spreading brush today – hauled three loads. Had enough over for brushing ice road where needed. Shut up manure shed at barn.

Mon 14 River closed Sat night. Snowed yesterday afternoon and evening. Turned to rain this morning and rained part of the day. Worked at house this forenoon. Hauled out some manure for top dressing this afternoon. Rain again this evening.

Tues 15 Snowed a little during the night but did not freeze. Colder today. Hauled out manure on sled today. Banked up cellar door. Cow Cherry had calf today. River opened again with rain storm yesterday – Crossing at ferry today. Decided to raise the calf that came today.

Wed 16 Cold and fine. River closed last night again. Working about barns preparing things for winter.

Th 17 Working about barn and house. Cold again last night. Ice fit to cross on foot.

Fri 18 Horse crossed ice today. Went to woods this morning to look after some logs and place to chop wood. Hauled sheathing boards from mill and moved some old lumber near the ice house. Attended political meeting at R W Wetmore's this evening.

Sat 19 Drove to Waddell's this forenoon for buckwheat bran. – got new carpet from weavers. Mrs. Frost came this afternoon to take Minnie home for the holidays. Strong wind with some snow this afternoon and evening.

Mon 21 Snow on Sat night made quite good sledding on the roads. Worked at house most of the day. J Pickett here to dinner. Attended basket party at the Hall this evening.

Tues 22 Brushed road across ice this forenoon. D P W's horse got in the ice while crossing the river this morning. Put away wagon and got out sled and sleigh today.

Wed 23 Drove to city today for load of supplies. Light rain and thaw came on this forenoon which made the sledding very hard on my return this afternoon. Left part of the load at Rothesay.

Th 24 Working about house nearly all day. Raining this morning turned colder toward night and cleared off. Snow all gone.

Fri 25 Christmas Day. Cold NE wind. Started to go to Kingston Church with Clara in the wagon, broke the hind axle of the wagon near Mr Jas Waddell's and had to return home. Took dinner with all the family at J E W's.

Sat 26 Heavy wind all day. Commenced snowing in the afternoon and still continues, very wild storm. Working about wood house & house all day.

Mon 28 Snow and sleet all day yesterday and continued part of today. Fine tonight. Drifted too much for good sledding. Got horse shod today. Working about house and barn.

Tues 29 Drove to Rothesay on the ice for freight. Took James and Julia on their way to city. Working at house part of the day.

Wed 30 Fine and mild. Drove to Norton with Clara and children. Returned in the evening. Bertrum Flewelling and Lizzie Crawford married this evening.

Th 31 Mild and thawing. Working at house. Went to Midlands to vote at Dominion Election. James & Julia's house for tea.

1886 January

Fri 1 Thawing and raining part of the day. Working at house. Foster elected over Domville by a majority of 338.

Sat 2 Still thawing. Working at house part of the day. Spent some time with a cow that refused to eat.

Mon 4 Working about house most of the day. Sold my horse this evening to J F Merritt, taking one of his until I can get another.

Tues 5 Working at house. Went to Moss Glen with a wagon for some pine lumber.

Wed 6 Warm rain nearly all day – took off nearly all the snow. Working at house most of the day.

Th 7 Dull and changing to cold weather – working at new pantry.

Fri 8 Working at pantry nearly all day. Cold and fine – glass down to zero this morning.

Sat 9 Snow storm today – cleared away before night. Not so cold. Working at pantry most of the day.

Mon 11 Working at kitchen and pantry. Mr Frost here this evening. – brought Minnie to attend school again. Returned to Kingston tonight.

Tues 12 Cold – Working about house. Had two sheep and one lamb killed today for market. Lodge meeting this evening.

Wed 13 Very cold this morning 20 below zero. Drove to city for supplies. Took meat to market. Brought home the mare again as she did not suit the party they wanted her for.

Th 14 E H Flewelling died this morning. Working about house and barn.

Fri 15 Hauling wood for church this forenoon. Working at pantry this afternoon. Fine and warm.

Sat 16 Working at house this morning. Attended funeral in the afternoon.

Mon 18 Cold rain yesterday formed a hard crust over the snow and loaded the trees with ice Fine today. Working at house put outside sashes on four windows.

Tues 19 Working at house – Carpenter work all finished inside. Preparing for painting. Found some old plastering had to be taken off.

Wed 20 Working at house all day. Light snow last night ended in cold rain which formed another crust. Moderate today.

Th 21 Working at house. Got paint for rooms from D P W.

Fri 22 Cleaned out kitchen and commenced painting it today. Snowing most of the day. Turned to sleet and rain toward evening.

Sat 23 Fine turned cold in the evening. Painting most of day. Drove to the Reach in the evening with Clara, James and Julia to attend Silver Wedding at N E Gorham's.

Mon 25 Fine and cold 10 below zero this morning. Milder this evening. Cow 'Topsy' had a calf last evening. Painting in pantry and sitting room.

Tues 26 Snow last night followed by rain and sleet today forming another crust on the surface. Painting most of the day.

Wed 27 Painting nearly all day – finished first coat all through. (five)

Th 28 Storm of sleet and rain again lasting all day. Painting in kitchen second coat.

Fri 29 Storm still continues but colder – formed a hard crust. Painting in sitting room and bedroom, second coat.

Sat 30 Painting nearly all day. Dull but not storming. Crust over the snow hard enough to skate on.

1886 February

Mon 1 Painting most of the day on sashes. Mild with light snow.

Tues 2 Colder – snowing and blowing part of the day. Fitted up closet for kitchen and painted it.

Wed 3 Cold. Working at house. Planed flooring in kitchen and put a coat of oil on it. Finishing little jobs about kitchen.

Thur 4 Planed and oiled kitchen floor. Very cold.

Fri 5 Cleaned out sitting room – whitened ceiling and prepared for moving in. Put down new carpet.

Sat 6 Still very cold. Moved into our new quarters in the old part of the house.

Mon 8 Drove to Norton yesterday with Clara – returned in the evening. Mild today with strong south west wind. Fitting up about house. Pie Social in the Hall this evening.

Tues 9 Fine and mild. Drove to St. John for load of oats. J Pickett and wife here to dinner today.

Wed 10 Working about house and barn today.

Th 11 Working about house. Laying floor in new porch. Fine and mild.

Fri 12 Working on porch most of the day – raining this afternoon. Lieut. Col. Maunsell called with Lt. Col. Domville, to inspect my armory yesterday.

Sat 13 Raining heavily nearly all day. Fitting up little things about the house today.

Mon 15 Heavy rain Saturday night took a great deal of the snow and crust. Broke road to the woods this afternoon. Found a great deal of water in the swamp. Had to break the crust by tramping ahead of the horse. Had a gathering of friends here this evening to celebrate the eighth anniversary of our wedding day.

Tues 16 Storm of thunder and lightening with rain last night. Fine today and cooler. Went to the woods this afternoon without horse to prepare for chopping.

Wed 17 Working in woods all day took dinner with me. Swamping out road for cutting wood.

Th 18 Drove to woods twice today – hauled two small loads. Got horse shod this afternoon.

Fri 19 Working in woods today. Cut and hauled two small loads. Took tea at James' this evening.

Sat 20 Snow this morning followed by rain during the day colder this evening and snowing again. Working about house and in shop, making axe handles &c.

Mon 22 Cold. Working in woods all day. Hauled two loads.

Tues 23 Snowing nearly all the forenoon. Cleared off before noon. Hauled two loads wood today. Chopping this P.M.

Wed 24 Cold and windy. Drove to St. John and returned for supplies. Clara accompanied me – road partly bare in places.

Th 25 Milder today – did not haul wood as I found a sled bench broken and a new one required. Worked part of the day at sled. Drove to Rothesay in the afternoon for flour and meal which I had to get sent by train yesterday.

Fri 26 Cow 'Gypsy' had a calf this morning. Heavy snow storm all day with strong E wind. Took a heavy cold while driving from St. John – did not do anything today except look after stock and things about the house.

Sat 27 Warned out to help break roads this forenoon – took the horse. Working about barn most of the afternoon. Cold not much better. Heavy NW wind today with some snow falling which is drifting. Colder than yesterday.

1886 March

Mon 1 Kitchen chimney top blew off Sat. night. Still blowing strong with some snow falling. And drifting. Not able to do more than look after the stock and the necessary work. Cold today.

Tues 2 Calm this forenoon but not clear. Wind and snow came on again in afternoon.

Wed 3 Not storming today, but blowing and drifting some. Do not feel able yet to do much yet, except what must be done. Appetite not good and suffering from a cold.

Th 4 Do not feel any better. Able to do work about barn and house.

Fri 5 Not gaining any yet. Dr. Fairweather in to see me today.

Sat 6 Still feeling weak with but little appetite. James helped me some today. Got

Box materials from D P W's. Managed to finish sled bench today. Sent for Clarence F to come next week and haul wood for me.

Mon 8 Clarence and Gilbert W commenced getting wood for me today. Heavy work breaking down the road at first.

Tues 9 Find myself getting so weak from cold and loss of appetite that I am not able to get out of the house. Justus Pickett and wife here today – she left for St. John by train.

Wed 10 Clarence hauling wood. Doctor called again.

Th 11 Sent to station this afternoon for load of C.S. Meal salt and heavy feed.

Fri 12 Mrs. Frost and Allan here today – returned this evening. Doctor here again – pronounces my case slow fever.

Sat 13 Clarence hauling wood all day.

Mon 15 Got calf butchered today. Clarence away this afternoon with my horse.

Tues 16 Snowing quite heavily all day. J S Wetmore went to St. John with my horse – took veal, butter and eggs for me. Clarence busy about barn and wood house. Not improving any yet – just able to be about the house.

Wed 17 Snow drifted quite heavily last night. Clarence did not get to hauling until afternoon.

Th 18 Very fine today – Clarence hauling. Do not get any stronger. Doctor called.

Fri 19 Fine and warm. Hauling wood yet. Clarence working alone.

Sat 20 Clarence finished hauling wood today.

Mon 22 Snow storm nearly all day yesterday. Raining part of the time today. Doctor called again today. Not improving any yet.

Tues 23 Clarence commenced getting mud today. Shoveling snow and preparing to haul most of the day.

Wed 24 Clarence hauling mud today.

Th 25 Clarence getting mud. Doctor called again. Do not seem to get stronger.

Fri 26 Commenced getting in ice today – Justus S W helping Clarence get it. Doctor in today on his way to Kingston.

Sat 27 Clarence hauling sawdust today from Moss Glen. Sat in the sun for an hour in the front door today. Think I am feeling a little stronger.

Mon 29 Feeling better and stronger yesterday and today. Walked out doors for awhile yesterday in the sun but could not stand it a great while. Out again today. Clarence hauling ice today expects to finish filling the house with help from Justus. Doctor called again on Sunday.

Tues 30 Feeling quite strong today. Worked most of the day repairing children's shoes and my own boots. Raining part of the day. Clarence working most of the day at splitting wood.

Wed 31 Still thawing with occasional showers of rain and mist. Not feeling so strong today perhaps the effects of trying to do too much yesterday.

1886 April

Th 1 Rain and fog again today with strong SW wind. Clarence went home today after doing work at the barn, intending to return this evening. Do not gain much today.

Fri 2 Fine – spent several hours out of doors today. Seem to be gaining strength. Clarence hauled away some banking and opened cellar doors. Cutting wood in the afternoon. Cow 'Spot' had calf last night.

Sat 3 Sent eggs and butter to city today by express. Ice seems to be getting past. Clarence cutting wood today. Fine and cool – too cold for me to stay out long. Made some berry boxes.

Mon 5 Getting stronger every day but not able to do much yet. Clarence cutting wood all day. Repairing children's shoes part of the day.

Tues 6 Sent Clarence to Rothesay this morning for some S C meal. Sold calf to Mr Shannon today for $7.00. Rain came on this afternoon.

Moss Glen. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Wed 7 Dull and cool today – some snow fell last night and today. Clarence working at wood. Made some berry boxes today.

Th 8 Filing saws and making boxes. Clarence cutting wood, cool and cloudy – snow made quite fair sledding. Mr Wainwright called today. Think I am gaining strength slowly but can not go out this cold weather.

Fri 9 Fine today. Walked out some today but found it rather sloppy. Making boxes part of the day. Clarence sawing wood.

Sat 10 Fine. Threatening rain tonight. Working in the shop part of the day. Feeling stronger and better. Decided to let Clarence go tonight and do my own work after today.

Mon 12 Doing chores about barn and house today with some work in the shop.

Tues 13 Working about house and barn. Gaining strength every day. Ice getting unsafe for crossing.

Wed 14 Fine. Mail wagon crossed ice here today last time – looking very weak in places. Working about house and shop. Commenced repairs on light wagon. Decided to raise the other calf left at the barn, now 12 days old.

Th 15 Dull and cool. Doing little jobs about the shop and house.

Fri 16 Made yard for large calf near the house, and other little things. Not feeling as strong as normal today. Walked down to church this evening.

Sat 17 Working at repairing light wagon today. Ice wasting fast. Gondola point ferry open today.

Mon 19 Fine and warm yesterday and today. Hauled load of sawdust from Moss Glen this morning for ice. Found the wheeling very heavy. Got express wagon from shed in the yard this afternoon.

Tues 20 A P Wetmore drove to city today with my horse. Took butter and eggs for me and brought flour and other things. Finished repairing light wagon. Fine and warm river clear of ice down to the island. Clifton ferry open today.

Wed 21 Fine and warm. Hauled banking away from house today. Allan Frost came today for Minnie to spend the Easter holidays at home. Shower this evening.

Th 22 Put sashes on rhubarb in the garden. Put away sleds and sleigh for summer. Very warm and fine.

Fri 23 Fine and dry. Working about wood pile preparing to set up sawing machine. Hewed pieces for sled runner and for wood rack. Good Friday – attended service at the church this evening.

Sat 24 Hauled load of sawdust from Moss Glen this morning. Prepared place for horse power and hauled it over this afternoon.

Mon 26 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday, Easter Sunday, with James. Commenced sawing wood today with horse. Arthur Fairweather commenced work with me today. Have hired him for the season.

Tues 27 Sawing wood all day. Mr Frost came down today with Minnie – returned home this afternoon. Fine and dry.

Wed 28 Sawing wood all day. Out to tea this evening at O W Flewelling's.

Th 29 Sawing wood. Got pig today from J S W. Weather very dry – rain needed.

Fri 30 Sawing wood all day.

1886 May

Sat 1 Sawing wood. Got all cut but a few logs.

Mon 3 Drove to St. John today for supplies. Took butter and eggs.

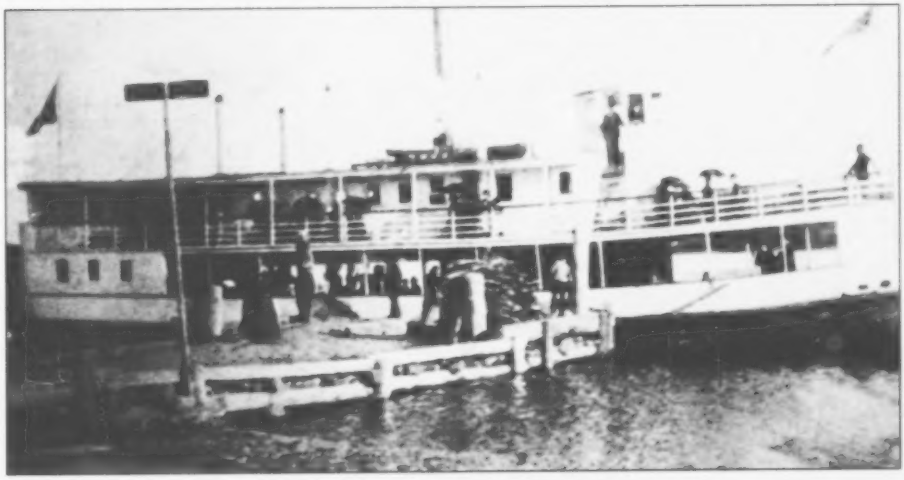
Tues 4 Finished wood sawing today and moved machine. Opened lane today to let sheep and cows run to pasture.

Wed 5 Raining part of the forenoon. Got horse shod. Fixed up her yard fence and built new board partition between woodhouse and porch. Raining quite heavily this evening. Put potatoes upstairs to sprout.

Th 6 Took brush off strawberry field near the road, also from field back of side hill.

Fri 7 Took up raspberries today. Planted a few potatoes and prepared ground for peas. Cleaned up barn yard.

Sat 8 Sent out school bills today. Commenced taking brush from upper strawberry field found them looking well. Rain came on at noon and drove us off. Working about wood house and shop this afternoon.



The Clifton *docked at Reeds Point. Note the sign. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B.)*

Mon 10 Rained nearly all day Sunday. Drove to Kingston Church in the morning. Fine and cool today. Sent rhubarb, butter and eggs to city by R W W. Fenced in a piece of the meadow on side hill for calves – finished taking off brush this afternoon. Hauled stone off oat ground.

Tues 11 Sheared sheep today. Arthur hauling sawdust from Moss Glen for ice house.

Wed 12 Wet this morning. Splitting and piling over wood, spent part of the forenoon repairing pasture fence. New steamer 'Clifton' came from St. John today, having gone down on Monday. Will begin her tri-weekly trips tomorrow.

Th 13 Out with Arthur repairing pasture fence this morning. Harrowed oat ground this afternoon. Got 2 loads of straw from D P W.

Fri 14 Hauled out top dressing for oat ground, sowed and harrowed in oats today.

Sat 15 Manured and prepared ground for setting strawberry plants back of side hill today. Set out plants this afternoon.

Mon 17 Raining heavily yesterday afternoon and evening. Ground too wet to work today. Repairing fence most of the day – pasture and road fence. Cut two apple trees out of orchard preparing to plough.

Tues 18 Hauled manure on lot in orchard intended for roots, spreading it broadcast. Ploughed the ground this afternoon, had J S W's horse with mine.

Wed 19 Prepared ground for carrots, turnips and beets and put in part of seed. Got barrel of superphasphite and used part of it in the drills with the seed.

Th 20 Sent poultry, rhubarb and butter to market this morning by 'Clifton'. Finished sowing carrot seed and commenced cultivating and hoeing strawberries today. Heavy rain with thunder this afternoon.

Fri 21 Staking and tying up raspberries today – find a great many dead canes among them. Clara, Minnie and the children drove to Norton this afternoon to return tomorrow.

Sat 22 Worked at staking and tying raspberries all day. Sent wool this morning to Oxford Mills (33 lbs). Folks returned from Norton this evening.

Mon 24 Queen's birthday – Arthur off for a holiday. Got load of hay from D P Wetmore's. Set one row raspberry plants. (English) Ploughed out 2 rows blackberries. Cut pea brush. Several parties out from city today.

Tues 25 Raining nearly all day. Heavy south wind tonight with heavy rain. Got some raspberries tied this forenoon. Repairing pasture fence to keep sheep in. Arthur sick this afternoon.

Wed 26 Ground too wet to work. Finished tying up raspberries and blackberries. Composting manure – cleared out privy vault.

Th 27 Arthur hoeing strawberries. Ploughed out two rows raspberries and sowed oats on the land. Ploughed manure and prepared land for beans and table corn.

Fri 28 Raining most of the day. Finished making boxes. Cleaning rifle in armory. Arthur composting manure.

Sat 29 Planted beans and corn. Repairing pasture fence. Arthur hoeing strawberries – finished lower piece. Mrs. W. went to city today in steamer 'Clifton' Did not return this evening.

Mon 31 Cultivating and hoeing strawberries all day. Geo H F keeping us for a few days. Mrs. W. returned from city on the evening boat.

1886 June

Tues 1 Finished hoeing strawberries today. Cultivated some raspberries and blackberries and commenced hoeing them.

Wed 2 Ploughed ground in side hill for potato planting today. Also ploughed field for fodder corn – harrowed potato field. Used Agr Society side hill plough and returned it to C W A P. Hugh hoeing raspberries. Had J S W's horse for ploughing.

Th 3 Commenced planting this morning – rain came on about 10 o'clock and drove us off, continuing until nearly evening.

Fri 4 Fine. Drove to Rothesay this morning. Hoeing raspberries and blackberries.

Sat 5 Finished planting this morning and hoed new strawberry plants.

Mon 7 Finished hoeing raspberries and hoed new strawberry plants. Commenced manuring land for fodder corn. Got oats and feed from St. John by steamer 'Clifton' today. Mrs. Carrie Frost came on the boat this evening.

Tues 8 Finished preparing land for fodder corn and planted corn today. J Pickett came today and took Miss Frost home with him.

Wed 9 Put black mud under stable and in manure shed. Cultivated part of strawberries, seemed time and commenced hoeing them. Set out cabbage and tomato plants.

Th 10 Worked at armory nearly all day, preparing to go to camp on the 29th. Arthur hoeing strawberries this morning. Showering this afternoon.

Fri 11 Hoeing strawberries part of the day – finished lower field and piece back of hill. Prepared and set pea brush.

Sat 12 Cultivated field of vegetables and strawberry field up the hill. Arthur hoeing carrots, turnips & beets. Repairing front stoop.

Mon 14 Got 512 lb hay from R W W this morning. Working at stoop part of the day. Arthur finished hoeing vegetables and commenced strawberry field up the hill.

Tues 15 Finished repairing stoop and laid top on kitchen chimney. Arthur hoeing.

Wed 16 Hauled manure from calf house to barn. Cleaned out rooms in other house. Arthur composting sheep manure. Allan came today and took Minnie home to prepare for going to Normal School.

Th 17 Went to St. John today in steamer 'Clifton'. Arthur working at manure. Raining this evening.

Fri 18 Cleaning out wood house and moving work bench, tools &c from rooms in the other part of the house today. Sowed a little strip of buckwheat. Cultivated raspberries blackberries, beans, table corn and new strawberry plants.

Sat 19 Arthur away. Thinned out turnips working about house and barn.

Mon 21 Hauled a load of crate pickets from Moss Glen and prepared to make crates. Arthur hoeing raspberries.

Tues 22 Working at crate making most of the day. Dry and hot – rain much needed.

Wed 23 Making crates all day. Arthur hoeing and thinning out beets &c.

Th 24 Finished making crates – made 40 altogether. Cultivated potatoes and had Arthur hoeing them.

Fri 25 Arthur finished potatoes – cultivated and hoed fodder corn. Prepared tables &c for berry pickers. Found a few ripe berries today.

Sat 26 Rained quite heavily last night – dull most of the time today. Doing odd jobs about the place. Clara drove to Kingston with Mabel Flewelling who came by train from Hampton today.

Mon 28 Arthur weeding strawberries today. Making preparations to go into camp at Sussex tomorrow for 12 days drill.

Tues 29 Started for camp at Sussex today for drill, leaving home about 11 o'clock in the 'Meta' arriving in camp about 6 o'clock. Spent the next ten days in camp returning home Saturday July 10th arriving here in the 'Meta' about 4 o'clock.

1886 July

Sat 10 Returned home from camp at Sussex this afternoon. Found all Clifton busy getting off berries. Arrangements have been made to have the berries carried to Indiantown by steamer 'Meta'. Mrs. Upham and Miss Fowler who are to occupy rooms here for a few weeks with other parties came in the 'Novelty' this evening.

Mon 12 Another busy day with the berries – sent off nearly six crates. Cultivated potatoes field and commenced hoeing them. Spent part of the day paying off men. Mrs. Fowler and family came this evening.

Tues 13 Putting things to rights in the armory today and cleaning rifles. Arthur hoeing potatoes and helping pickers.

Wed 14 Working at odd jobs about the place, Arthur helping pickers nearly all day. Very dry strawberries need rain.

Th 15 Arthur finished hoeing potatoes today. Hoed beans and table corn, cultivated fodder corn, beets, turnips and carrots.

Fri 16 Rained heavily last night. Arthur splitting wood nearly all day. Working about shop and woodhouse.

Sat 17 Foggy with showers all day. Cutting up wood with Arthur part of the day.

Mon 19 Arthur picked raspberries today. Hoeing and weeding turnips and beets.

Tues 20 Picked raspberries again today, finished hoeing and weeding and thinning out carrots and beets.

Wed 21 Hoed fodder corn – took weeds out of raspberries, commenced weeding strawberries again.

Th 22 Picking raspberries part of the day – pulling weeds. Arthur away today.

Fri 23 Pulling weeds most of the day. Sent 5 pair chickens and 24 lbs butter to market by 'Meta' today. Arthur did not return last night.

Sat 24 Busy with berries most of the day. Drove to St. John with a load in the afternoon and returned in the night getting home about 12:30 o'clock. Arthur returned home this evening.

Mon 26 Preparing to begin haying today. Mowed some near the barn and got it up in cock, very green. Rain came on in the latter part of the day. Heavy pick raspberries today

Tues 27 Raining most of the day. Making boxes and crate covers, and doing other work about the shop and woodhouse.

Wed 28 Dull and foggy this morning, fine in the afternoon. Drove to St. John with load of berries this afternoon and returned in the evening. Samuel Flewelling came with me and stayed all night.

Th 29 Haying all day. Took in two loads. Fine.

Fri 30 Working all day in the hayfield – foggy this morning. Got in two loads.

Sat 31 Sick today – not able to do anything with hay. James helped Arthur get in two loads.

1886 August

Mon 2 Raining this forenoon. Mowed some in the afternoon. Drove to ST. John in the evening with berries. Took Elsie with me to get glasses for her.

Tues 3 Returned from St. John arriving home about 4 o'clock, leaving Elsie in St. John. Heavy thunder shower about noon. W Hayden commenced work with me in the hayfield today.

Wed 4 Another bad hay day. Mowed nearly all the forenoon and shook out hay – showers came on about noon and wet the hay – showers all the afternoon. Cut up some clover.

Th 5 Mowed some this morning opened and shook out hay – light shower in the afternoon prevented us getting any in the barn – put all up in cock.

Fri 6 Mowed back of side hill and orchard. Put in seven loads this afternoon.

Sat 7 Foggy this morning – mowed some in apple meadow but thought the day not favorable for haying. Sun came out before noon and enabled us to get in 4 small loads and put up what was mowed this morning. Elsie came home in the boat this evening.

Mon 9 Fine – haying all day – put in two small loads. Aunt Carrie Frost came from Kingston with me yesterday and left for home this morning on the 'Clifton'.

Tues 10 Fine. Haying all day. Got in 4 loads. Hayden not here today.

Wed 11 Foggy this morning – cleared before noon. Mowed little meadow today. Shower came on past noon and wet the hay so that we could not get any in the barn. Mowed some this afternoon.

Th 12 Finished mowing this morning. Got in 4 loads in the afternoon – very heavy shower came up in the afternoon and stopped our work. One large load fit to go in was caught in it.

Fri 13 Finished haying today – hauled in 4 loads – 24 loads altogether. Hay crops very light this year. Estimate 4 to 5 times less than last year.

Sat 14 Foggy today with rain part of the day. Doing little jobs about the house and shop. Got horse shod.

The view from Harrity's Hill (known today as the mountain or Buckley's mountain), looking downriver over Clifton to the Sugar Loaf, with Mathers Island and Long Island in the Kennebecasis River. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Mon 16 Put away horse rake this morning. Commenced hoeing strawberries back of hill. Took weeds out of beets, turnips and carrots.

Tues 17 Raining part of the day, – working about house and wood house. Hauled two loads of sawdust from ice house to barn. Drove to Moss Glen this afternoon for shingles for porch.

Wed 18 Hoeing strawberries all day – Arthur away.

Th 19 Cultivated and commenced hoeing strawberries above lane. Put lines through blackberries this afternoon, picked raspberries.

Fri 20 Hoeing strawberries with Arthur all day.

Sat 21 Finished hoeing strawberries today. Arthur helping to cut wood at the church this afternoon. Clara and the children went with Mrs. Fowler's family to Mrs. Mather's island for an excursion.

Mon 23 Raining this morning. Hauling out manure on strawberry fields today.

Tues 24 Hauling manure for strawberries – cleaned out privy vault and spread the compost on strawberry field. Had not enough manure for strawberries. Let raspberry pickers go today.

Wed 25 Tied up N.B. apple trees in old strawberry field and dug potatoes in same field this morning. Got side hill plow and plowed the field this afternoon.

Th 26 Forked out vines and weeds in ploughed field and hauled them off. Drove to Norton this afternoon with Clara and the children. Hetty Wetmore came to stay a few days.

Fri 27 Returned from Norton this evening – very hot day. Arthur left me this evening.

Sat 28 Another hot day. Mowed oats back of hill today, picked raspberries.

Mon 30 Dull today, threatening rain. Hoeing manure in strawberries. Commenced taking stakes out of raspberries preparing to plough them out.

Tues 31 Showery all day with some heavy rain. Drove to St. John today to see about getting a lot of heavy feed by boat tomorrow. Left here about 10:00 o'clock and returned in the evening.

1886 September

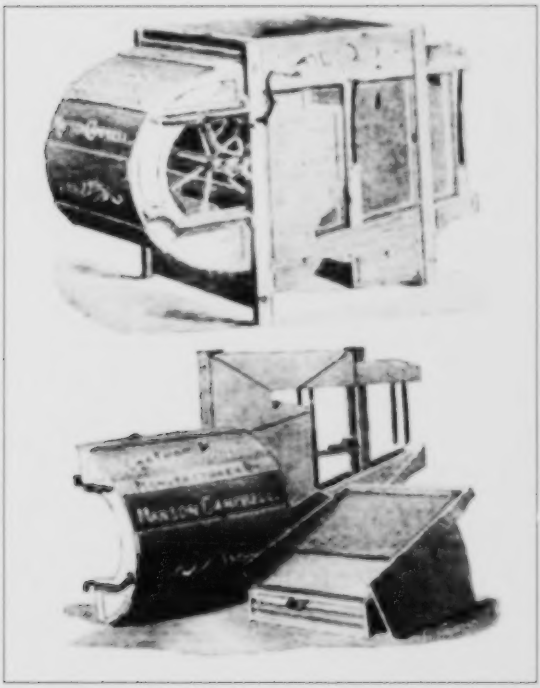
Wed 1 Finished mowing oats today. Working at taking stakes out of raspberries and other work about the farm. Mrs. Fowler left for home this morning.

Th 2 Storing heavy feed this morning. Got in part of my oats this afternoon, Purdy helping me. Commenced ploughing out raspberries.

Fri 3 Working at raspberries – ploughing and taking out stakes. Got in the last of my oats poor crop. Purdy working with me.

Sat 4 Finished ploughing out raspberries this morning. Clearing canes off the ground. Making preparations to go to Norton to cut Marsh hay next week.

Mon 6 Drove to Norton with Clara this morning to remain a few days cutting Marsh hay. Clara returned with the horse in the afternoon. Found Annie Frost at home very ill.



Threshing machine. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Fri 10 Returned home this evening having finished my job of getting two stacks of hay on the Marsh. Al Frost drove down with me to return tomorrow. Had fine weather this week for getting hay – came in showery this afternoon. Annie F getting better slowly. Purdy hauled off raspberry canes and did some other work for me while I was away.

Sat 11 Dull most of the day – Mr Frost started for home this morning. Doing little jobs about house and barn.

Mon 13 Splitting wood and doing other work about home. Heavy rain last night and early this morning.

Tues 14 Killed 6 pair chickens for market this morning to be sent by boat tomorrow. Picked blackberries this afternoon. Put trimmings on porch preparing to shingle. Attended 'Golden Wedding' of Mr & Mrs. J Edward Flewelling this evening with Clara.

Wed 15 Picked up windfall apples this morning. Prepared ground and commenced setting rhubarb in old strawberry field near the road. Using superphasphite manure.

Th 16 Working all day at setting rhubarb. Clara went to ST. John in the 'Clifton' this evening to return Saturday.

Fri 17 Foggy with showers today. Working about barn. Composting manure this morning picking blackberries this afternoon.

Sat 18 Fine. Cleaned stove pipes in the school room this morning, finished setting rhubarb this afternoon. Clara returned this evening.

Mon 20 Clara drove to Norton today, returning this evening. Commenced clearing out cellar today, preparing to put in new floors in potato bins.

Tues 21 Working most of the day in cellar – dug a well in cellar. Repairing fence this morning. Threshed a small lot of buckwheat.

Wed 22 Clara away with horse today to Mrs. Crawford's in Kingston. Working in cellar most of the day. Hauled two loads of gravel this evening.

Th 23 Drove to Moss Glen this morning for lumber. Frost last night. Working in cellar.

Fri 24 Working in cellar. Gathered N B apples and picked up windfalls under other trees this afternoon.

Sat 25 Worked at potato bins this morning. Moved threshing machine to my barn preparing to thresh oats on Monday.

Mon 27 Rained heavily last night threatening rain today, did not thresh on account of rain. Working about house and barn and in cellar.

Tues 28 Dull and cloudy but no rain. Worked most of the day in cellar. Hauled some gravel for cellar.

Wed 29 Rained heavily last night and this morning. Cleared off about noon today. Busy doing odd jobs about the house and barn.

Th 30 Fine – threshed oats all today – cleaned them up with the fanning mill in the afternoon. Mr Hayden, Purdy and Douglas helping me. Raining again this evening.

1886 October

Fri 1 Heavy rain last night and today – cleaned off in the afternoon. Working about house and barn. Fitted up place in stable for calves.

Sat 2 James got my horse today to go to Norton Station to return tomorrow. Commenced shingling porch – picked up windfall apples this afternoon.

Mon 4 Digging potatoes today – find them very rotten and poor.

Tues 5 Got horse shod this morning, preparing to go to the city tomorrow. Dug a few more potatoes.

Wed 6 Drove to St. John and returned today with Clara. Took a load of old iron. Fine and warm.

Th 7 Digging potatoes part of the day.

Fri 8 Digging potatoes.

Sat 9 Finished digging today. Potatoes a very poor crop with me this year. A great many rotten ones. Susie's seemed to give the best yield.

Mon 11 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday morning with Clara and the children, went to dinner at Justus Pickett's and drove home in the evening. Went to Moss Glen this morning for a load of chips. Gathering apples this afternoon.

Tues 12 Gathering apples nearly all day.

Wed 13 Working at getting in apples, got in all except for 3 trees.

Th 14 Attended school meeting this morning. Fitting up rifle cases this afternoon. Clara and Elsie drove to Norton today and returned this evening.

Fri 15 Raining nearly all day. Finished preparing rifle cases, and packed rifles in these to send to Halifax for repairs.

Sat 16 Finished gathering apples and spent some time storing them in the cellar – had about 25 barrels, large and small altogether from native trees. Let Purdy take my horse today to work at church grounds grading and hauling stone and earth.

Mon 18 Raining some this morning. Drove to Rothesay today with two cases rifles to be shipped to Halifax for repairs. Pulled and topped some beets in the afternoon.

Tues 19 Repaired some broken walls about the house with mortar this morning, commenced pulling and getting in carrots.

Wed 20 Helped Richard threshing oats today. Put my horse in the machine. Got home before night and worked at carrots.

Th 21 Foggy today with rain in the afternoon. Hauled out top dressing on part of upper strawberry field that had not received it before.

Fri 22 Spent part of the day looking for ram that had broken away from his tether – did not find him. Pulled the rest of my carrots and all my turnips and Mangels, and got them all in the cellar. Austin and Allan Wetmore helping me. Had about 14 barrels turnips and Mangels and 9 barrels of carrots and 5 barrels beets on a small ¼ acre. Turnips gave the best yield.

Sat 23 Hunted up ram this morning and brought him home. Ploughed part of carrot and turnip field in the afternoon. Drove to Mr. Waddell's this evening.

Mon 25 Finished ploughing turnip field – ploughed corn stubble near barn.

Tues 26 Working about wood house and barn this morning. Went to election for councilors this afternoon. R W Wetmore and J O Dann elected.

Wed 27 Putting new flooring in sawdust bin at barn this morning. Hauled load of sawdust this afternoon.

Th 28 Hauled two loads of sawdust from Moss Glen this forenoon. Repairing chimney top in main house this afternoon.

Fri 29 Working nearly all day chimney and did not finish. J Pickett came this evening with Mrs. Kerr who goes by boat to St. John in the morning.

Sat 30 Finished repairing the chimney and repaired roofs in NE wing of house. Trustees met here this evening.

1886 November

Mon 1 Worked at shingling the porch today – did not finish. Heavy rain yesterday morning.

Tues 2 Had J S Wetmore's horse with mine ploughing today. Ploughed part of oat stubble.

Wed 3 Ploughing today – finished stubble and potato field, and started a small piece of sod near the barn. Maggie Frost came in the boat this evening from St. John. Thanksgiving service at Clifton Church this evening. (Bishop Kingston (present) Coadjutor porch)

Th 4 Did some ploughing with one horse today. Finished ploughing.

Fri 5 Clara drove Maggie Frost to Norton today. Cutting canes out of raspberries and blackberries today.

Sat 6 Working at laying down raspberries today.

Mon 8 Heavy rain with strong SE wind yesterday. Ploughed sod in upper meadow today – had J S W's horse.

Tues 9 Finished ploughing this forenoon – had frost last night.

Wed 10 Finished laying down raspberries and laid down blackberries except part of one row.

Th 11 Mild rain this morning. Worked at repairing shoes and other little jobs about house and barn.

Fri 12 Hauled out top dressing for raspberries and blackberries today. Ploughed through raspberries.

Sat 13 Sent beets to market by boat today – Stormy snow this morning – rain this afternoon

Mon 15 Heavy rain yesterday – Doing little jobs about the place today.

Tues 16 Putting wood in woodhouse today, very cold with heavy NW wind.

Wed 17 Hauled out manure for rhubarb today. Worked at getting in wood. Steamer 'Clifton' made her last trip of season today.

Th 18 Raining nearly all day – heavy southerly wind this evening with rain. Repairing shoes and doing other inside jobs.

Fri 19 Commenced banking house today. Hauling ashes from boat at the shore this afternoon. Storing them in bell shed.

Sat 20 Hauling ashes most of the day, secured 25 barrels. Broke wagon shafts this morning had borrowed J S W's wagon. Allan Frost came this afternoon bringing Emma who will stay awhile since Elsie went home with Allan.

Mon 22 Finished piling wood in woodhouse today

Tues 23 Not well today – Attended W F Flewelling's auction this afternoon. Sold off tools left from father's estate. Snowing this evening. Ice in river this morning.

Wed 24 Rained quite heavily in the night – fine and mild today. Not able to do much except attend to stock today.

Th 25 Feeling better today. Finished banking house. Warm and mild – raining this evening.

Fri 26 Heavy wind and rain last night. Blew down part of the lane fence – spent greater part of the day repairing it. Banked hen house.

Sat 27 James drove my horse to Hampton today. Took Annie to Norton with him leaving her there and bringing Elsie home. Commenced cutting brush today.

Mon 29 Cutting brush this forenoon. Fitted up wagon and commenced hauling this afternoon. Got in three small loads.

Tues 30 Rain again last night. Too wet to work at brush today. Worked at making wagon shafts.

1886 December

Wed 1 Working at wagon shafts most of the day, very warm and mild for the season – raining this afternoon.

Th 2 Finished shafts this morning. Spread what brush I had hauled. Cutting brush this afternoon. Raining again towards evening. Little flurry of snow this evening with heavy wind. Received word this evening that my brother George had died today. He had been ill about four weeks.

Fri 3 Very cold and rainy today – light fall of snow last night. Drove to K'ton this morning to arrange with Mr Wainwright for funeral tomorrow at Clifton Church. Hauled one load of brush this afternoon.

Sat 4 Cold last night but did not freeze river. Hauled 4 loads brush this afternoon on sled. Attended George's funeral this afternoon at the churchyard here. Body was brought from St. John today, crossing the ferry this afternoon. River frozen over this evening. Justus Pickett here to tea, took Emma home with him. Clear and cold.

Mon 6 River closed Saturday evening – made 2 or 3 inches of ice. Snow fell to the depth of about 4 inches Sunday night. Working at brush today, spreading and cutting – hauled one load. Very cold yesterday in morning 4 below zero.

Tues 7 Cutting brush this morning – hauling in the afternoon. Snowing this evening.

Wed 8 Hauled two loads of brush this morning. J S W butchered cow 'Gypsy' and pig for me today.

Th 9 Cut up beef and pork this morning. Sold most of my beef to parties in the neighbourhood – beef weighed 490 pork 244. Cut and spread some brush this afternoon. Gilbert W helping me.

Fri 10 Hauling brush all day with sled – got in 9 loads.

Sat 11 Mild and warm. Hauled 4 loads brush today and spread. Gilbert cutting. Got load of straw from D P W for which I am to return him brush. Ice fit to cross on foot passage but not for horse.

Mon 13 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday afternoon with sleigh. Hauled and spread brush today for D P W and brought me a load for self, which finished the job. Storming this evening – a very cold sleet. Ice strong enough for horse to cross today. Mail driver drove across this morning.

Tues 14 Working about house. Made pickle for pork and prepared barrel. Put part of the outside sashes on. Got horse shod today.

Wed 15 Put pork in pickle and cleaned up cellar. Drove to Justus Pickett's in the afternoon and brought Annie home from there. Took three axes to J Cosman and had them drawn out. Got bag of buckwheat Bran from Waddell's. Raining this evening.

Th 16 Rain last night and today. Cleaning out and fitting up hen house this morning. Drove to Waddell's Mill this afternoon for a load of hulls. Turned cold in evening.

Fri 17 Cold and clear. Attended school examination this morning. Doing little jobs about woodhouse and shop.

Sat 18 Snowing this morning – turned to rain in the afternoon and still raining. Hauled out manure for Comfrey this forenoon. Put inside down in stable and doing other work about barn.

Mon 20 Rained heavily Saturday night and took off nearly all the snow. Banked up cellar door this morning, put partition across the lane at watering place.

Tues 21 Fitting up about house for winter. Preparing to drive to city tomorrow with a wagon. Fine and mild.

Wed 22 Drove to St. John and returned today with a wagon.

Th 23 Hauling ashes in wagon from shed in ship yard and spreading it in upper meadow. Weather continues fine and mild.

Fri 24 Hauling ashes this forenoon. Rain came on before noon and continued at intervals all day – raining and blowing hard tonight.

Sat 25 Christmas. Heavy rain all last night and this morning, snow and ice on the roads all gone. Did not get to church. James and Julia took dinner with us.

Mon 27 Cold and freezing hard yesterday. Milder today. Finished hauling ashes today. Drove to Rothesay for freight this afternoon with wagon – had trouble getting on and off the ice as the ice was poor at the shore. Light snow this P.M.

Tues 28 Set some glass and put on rest of outside sashes today.

Wed 29 Colder. Spent most of the day at school room taking down partitioning &c. preparing to throw the two schools into one.

Th 30 Very cold last night and today – 15 below zero this morning. Doing little jobs about home.

Fri 31 Not so cold today. Working in the cellar this forenoon. Went to woods this afternoon to cut out road through wood lot. Snowing tonight.

1887 January

Sat 1 Snow last night turned to rain this morning and continued all day taking off the snow. Cow 'Topsey' had a calf this morning. Working about barn, hen house and shop.

Mon 3 Rain & sleet followed by snow yesterday. Found my cow Topsey dead in the stable yesterday morning – could not discover the cause. Got Justus & Gilbert to help me dispose of the carcass. Decided to raise the calf. Snow and sleet made fair sledding. Working about the barn most of the day.

Tues 4 Fine and cold. Cutting fencing on the hill in the pasture.

Wed 5 Cutting and splitting rails most of the day.

Th 6 Snowing most of the day – made about 4 inches. Working about house and barn. Weather more moderate.

Fri 7 Working about home. Augusta Flewelling died yesterday.

Sat 8 Fine and cold – 8 below zero this morning. Drove to Norton with the family and left them there, returning home in the afternoon.

Mon 10 Very cold Saturday night and yesterday – 20 below zero yesterday morning. Drove to Norton yesterday afternoon and brought home Clara and the children. Snowing today – cleared away about noon. Working in the shop and woodhouse.

Tues 11 Working at repairing sled most of the day. Fine and cold.

Wed 12 Working at sled. Quite mild today.

Th 13 Started out to haul fencing this morning and broke tongue of hind sled. Repaired sled in afternoon.

Fri 14 Hauled some fencing this forenoon. Northeast snow storm came on about noon. Still snowing and blowing heavily.

Sat 15 Some heavy snow drifts this morning – snow drifting nearly all day – snowing again this evening. Working about house and shop today.

Mon 17 Hauled fencing down the hill this morning. Also hauled some old raspberry stakes around the meadow for fencing. Drove to the wood lot this afternoon to break road.

Tues 18 Snow followed by rain last night – colder and fine today. Worked most of the day at repairing winter boots.

Wed 19 Cold this morning 16 below zero. Working about home preparing to go to city. Snowing some tonight.

Th 20 Drove to St. John today for supplies – took 1 barrel apples, butter & eggs. Snowing again this evening with south wind.

Fri 21 Snow last night turned to rain and a thaw. Fine and very windy today – turning cold again. Cutting fencing on hill today.

Sat 22 Drove to Rothesay for rifles returned from Halifax this morning. Attended funeral of Mrs. Morrison at Baptist Meeting House this afternoon. Snowing this afternoon and evening.

Mon 24 Sleet and cold rain last night, warmer today and raining. January thaw – raining heavily this evening. Working in armory and about wood house.

Tues 25 Light snow this morning and blowing heavily from NW. Afternoon fine. Cutting fencing this afternoon. Mild with SW wind this evening. Not feeling well.

Wed 26 Laid up with heavy cold. Only able to do work about barn and house. Thaw last night followed by a light snow today and colder weather.

Th 27 Colder and fine. Not able to do much today.Fri 28 Confined to house all day. Mrs. W attended to the stock &c. Commenced raining again this evening.

Sat 29 Heavy rain last night and all today took off nearly all the snow leaving the roads and fields bare except ice. Purdy looking after my stock today as my cold is not much better yet. Gilbert came from St. John this afternoon to stay until Monday.

Mon 31 Still shut in the house but feeling somewhat better today. Fine with strong west wind today. Freezing quite hard tonight.

1887 February

Tues 1 Feeling better today, but not very strong. Looking after things about house and barn.

Wed 2 Commenced making new sled rack. Very cold day. Health improving but not clear of the cold yet.

Th 3 Working at sled rack most of the day. Gaining strength every day. Snowing a little this afternoon.

Fri 4 Fine and windy. Finished making the sled rack.

Sat 5 Working about shop this morning. Drove to Norton in the afternoon and brought home a load of Marsh hay. Got home about 7:30

Mon 7 Two or three inches of snow fell yesterday. Fine today. Drove to Norton again today for a load of hay. Mary came with me to stay a day or two.

Tues 8 Brought another load of hay from Norton today. Attended Farmer's Supper in the Hall this evening. Party from Norton came down. Annie remained with us and Mary returned in her place. Mr & Mrs. Pickett remained all night. Snow storm this afternoon turned to rain this evening.

Wed 9 Fine. Working about house and barn. Freezing this evening.

Th 10 Drove to Kingston with Clara and children and spent most of the day. Annie F went with us and remained there. Heavy SW wind this evening.

Fri 11 Snowing nearly all day – drifting this evening. Working about house.

Sat 12 Fine – more drifting. Hauled the last fencing down the hill. Broke out road to wood lot this afternoon.

Mon 14 Commenced hauling wood today. James chopping for me. Got in 4 loads. Cold this morning.

Tues 15 Snowing today with southerly wind – ended with rain towards evening. Fine tonight. Working about barn and house. Drove Bessie Puddington to Station this morning. Drove to Waddell's looking after school taxes before noon.

Wed 16 Drove to St. John today for load of supplies. Warm & mild.

Th 17 Light snow last night and this morning. Let J S W have my horse today to go to Rothesay for Doctor. Working about house.

Fri 18 Hauling wood all day – got in 5 loads. James chopping for me.

Sat 19 Snow last night turned to rain and continued part of the day. Went across the river this evening to hear G E Foster delivering a political lecture.

Mon 21 Drove to Norton today for a load of hay – the last load from there. Clara and the girls went to entertainment at the Hall this evening in aid of the church.

Tues 22 Drove out to polling place to vote at Dominion Election this forenoon – Foster and Domville candidates – Foster elected majority of 468. Hauling wood in the afternoon got three loads.

Wed 23 Hauling wood all day – James chopping – got 5 loads.

Th 24 Hauling this morning got 2 loads. Snowing heavily this afternoon and evening.

Fri 25 Very cold – blowing and drifting hard all day. Did not get to go to woods.

Sat 26 Fine and cold this morning. Working in the shop and about house all day. Let J S W have my horse this afternoon to bring Dr. Fairweather from Rothesay for his brother David who is very low.

Mon 28 Snow with heavy drifts Sat. night followed by rain on Sunday. Road blocked with snow yesterday almost impassable. Warned out to break roads this morning. Broke road to woods this afternoon and got in two small loads. Road very heavy for the horse.

1887 March

Tues 1 Hauled two loads this forenoon. Horse cocked herself in the stable this morning and was too lame for work this afternoon. A S White lectured in the Hall this evening.

Wed 2 Horse still very lame. Opening sink drain which had been frozen up. Snowing this afternoon with heavy SW wind.

Th 3 Working about barn and wood house today – have taken a severe cold.

Fri 4 Not able to go out today – heavy cold with no appetite.

Sat 5 Feeling better today, but did not get out of house.

Mon 7 Hauling wood today. – got in 4 loads. Weather quite mild.

Tues 8 Snowing this morning but did not last long. Hauling this afternoon Got 3 loads.

Wed 9 Hauling all day – got in 4 loads – James finished chopping for me.

Th 10 Finished hauling wood this forenoon. Got box stuff from D P W and put bottoms in to dry. Attended lecture at the Hall this evening.

Fri 11 James drove to city today with my horse and sled.

Sat 12 Rained some last night. Strong wind today with squalls of damp snow. Working about barn and house.

Mon 14 Cutting fencing in the pasture today. James had the horse this afternoon hauling wood for himself.

Tues 15 Cutting fencing again today. James finished his hauling today. Horse quite lame again. Mr & Mrs. G Merritt and Mrs. D P W here this evening.

Wed 16 Working about house and barn today. Fitted up a shed for the young calf near the house.

Th 17 Working about home. Horse quite lame yet. Weather mild and thawing this week. Snow running off fast, snowing some today but damp.

Fri 18 Working about wood house shop and barn today. Opened sink drain again this morning as it was frozen up again.

Sat 19 Weather still continues dull, wet and snowy; but not cold enough to freeze. Went to mud swamp this forenoon and cleared off a place to get mud. Damp snow falling nearly all day – wind about north.

Mon 21 Fine and cool. Working about home – making preparations to go to the city tomorrow. Had ram killed for market.

Tues 22 Drove to St. John today with J S Wetmore. Returned in the afternoon. Snow storm came on in the afternoon turned to rain in the evening. Road very bare in spots.

Wed 23 Squalls most all day – turned cold towards evening. Prospect of freezing quite hard tonight. Working about home.

Th 24 Drove to Rothesay this morning for supplies sent by train from city. Commenced hauling swamp mud today: – got in four loads. Sarah Pickett came today for a visit.

Fri 25 Hauled two loads mud this morning. Snow storm came on this forenoon which turned to rain this afternoon.

Sat 26 Cold and windy today. Hauled 4 loads mud this forenoon. Drove to Kingston in the afternoon to attend sale of fertilizers by Agr. Society. Clara accompanied me and went up to J Pickett's while I attended sale.

Mon 28 Hauled 4 loads mud this forenoon. Snow and sleet storm today ended with rain this evening.

Tues 29 Raining most of the day – colder this evening with snow. Commenced getting out stuff for harrow today. Took tea at J E W's this evening with Clara and Sarah Pickett.

Wed 30 Hauling ice today. Dull and cool.

Th 31 Finished getting in ice today. Put in 30 cakes altogether. Fine and cool.

1887 April

Fri 1 Hauled fencing this morning from hill in the pasture and left in around the meadow fences for repairing. Went to mud swamp in the afternoon – cleared off some and got in 2 loads.

Sat 2 Hauled 5 loads mud this forenoon. Drove to Kingston this afternoon with Sarah Pickett. Snowing this afternoon and evening with heavy NE wind.

Mon 4 Heavy drifting snow storm lasted until about noon yesterday – blocked the roads in some districts. Shoveled snow and broke out to mud swamp this morning got one small load. Light rain and snow in the afternoon.

Tues 5 Hauled 3 loads mud this morning. Raining this afternoon. Drove to Richard's yesterday afternoon and got his harness as a pattern to make new one.

Wed 6 Snowing this morning – working at harrow. James had my horse in the afternoon to Moss Glen for lumber for crates.

Th 7 Drove to Moss Glen early this morning for load of sawdust for ice. Hauled two loads mud this afternoon. Fine and cool.

Fri 8 Good Friday. Hauled 5 loads mud this forenoon. Attended Service at the Church this afternoon. First lambs today.

Sat 9 Finished hauling mud with one load this morning. Got 32 loads altogether. Tapped maples along the brook. Opened cellar door today. Thawing fast today. Ice still good in the river for driving on.

Mon 11 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday (Easter Sunday) with sleigh going on the ice to Perry's Point. Returning came down the road but found it quite bare. Attended Easter Monday meeting at Kingston Church today – went in a wagon. Quite warm Sunday and today, snow and ice melting fast.

Tues 12 Cooler. Took banking away from cellar wall today. Ice in river quite treacherous.

Wed 13 Commenced cutting green wood today. Cutting up top wood and small stuff before getting to work with sawing machine.

Fri 14 Working at wood pile nearly all day. Weather still cool and windy. Horse got in the ice near the shore here today.

Fri 15 Sawing and splitting wood all day. Fine and warm. Mail driver crossed the ice with a horse this morning for the last time at Clifton.

Sat 16 Working all day at wood. Threatening rain. Crossing the ice on foot continues yet.

Mon 18 Got out farm wagon this morning. Broke barnyard gate and found it necessary to make a new one. Doing other work about barn.

Tues 19 Snowing nearly all day with north wind. Repairing boots and shoes today. Ice wasting slowly. Gondola Point clear. No crossing the ice on foot since Saturday.

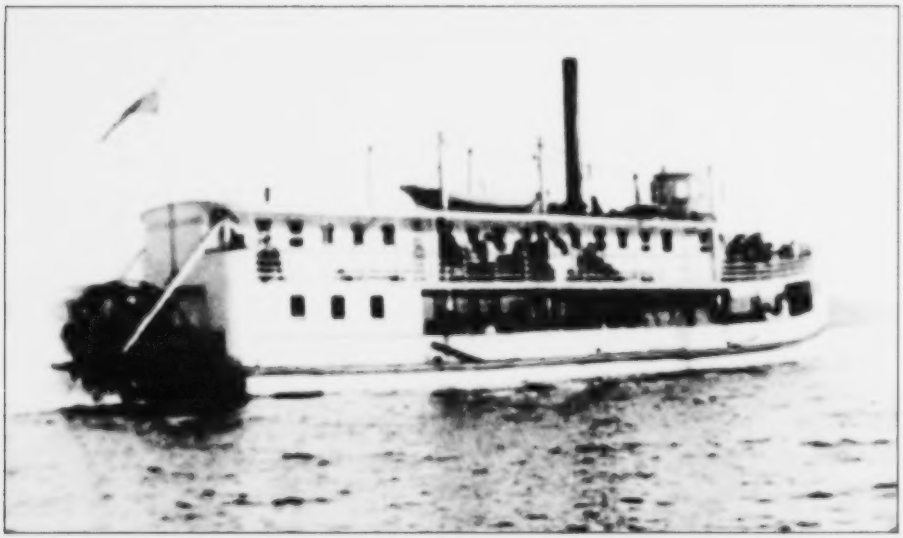
Wed 20 Working at new harrow most of the day. Snow and ice melting fast.

Th 21 Took off outside sashes – made yard for calf to run in. Cow 'Spot' had a calf this morning. Working at harrow.

Fri 22 Working at harrow today.

Sat 23 Finished wood work of harrow and took it to blacksmith. Put away sleds and doing the work about barn. Clifton ferry open today. Julia and Fanny Wetmore here to tea.

Mon 25 Raining part of the day yesterday. Moved horse power and sawing machine in the afternoon and set it up for sawing my wood. Commenced sawing in the afternoon. Gilbert Wetmore helping me.



The Clifton. *(Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)*

Tues 26 Cold NE rain and snow storm today. Working about wood house and barn today. River blocked with floating ice this morning – clear again before noon.

Wed 27 Fine. Sawing wood all day. Gilbert helping. Leonard Crawford and Julia Wetmore married at the church this evening.

Th 28 Sawing wood today.

Fri 29 Raining this forenoon with strong SE wind. Sawing wood in the afternoon.

Sat 30 Finished sawing wood this forenoon. Heavy showers towards noon. Attended sale of Agricultural implements by Agr. Society at the Hall this afternoon. Bought a one horse side hill plough for $7.25. Steamer 'Clifton' came down the river today.

1887 May

Mon 2 Moved the sawing machine this forenoon and set it up for cutting the church wood. Sawed wood at the church in the afternoon, but did not finish.

Tues 3 Finished sawing church wood this morning. Painted harness this afternoon. Hauled a load of 'Mapes' fertilizer from the shore, brought by steamer 'Clifton'.

Wed 4 Doing odd jobs about house and barn. Put up some gaps in fence.

Th 5 Sheared sheep today. Gilbert took up blackberries and raspberries. Cultivated rhubarb.

Fri 6 Drove to St. John today for supplies. Clara went with me. Gilbert taking off brush.

Sat 7 Put up fence along the lane and around the meadows and pasture where necessary preparing to let the sheep and cows out to pasture. Gilbert took off some brush today. James had my horse to get cow and calf and to haul stakes.

Mon 9 Put teeth in new harrow. Ploughed a small strip and planted a few potatoes and peas.

Tues 10 Working about hen yard this morning. Cleared up manure about barnyard this afternoon. Freshet very high this spring – highest since 1854, 33 years ago. It is now reported to be above the height of the freshet of that date.

Wed 11 Fixed up road fence this morning. Hauled stone off ploughed lot on side hill, preparing to put in oats there. Hauled out hen manure for top dressing.

Th 12 Finished hauling out top dressing. Harrowed land, sowed and harrowed in oats. Got seed oats from DPW.

The road is now asphalted and a bit wider, but the view from this location is still unhindered by hydro poles. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Fri 13 Worked all day at preparing land and putting in oats. Put one bag (200 lbs) 'Mapes' fertilizer in piece in upper meadow.

Sat 14 Sowed and harrowed in oats in upper meadow. Got roller from R W W and rolled oat land. Sowed grass seed on side hill yesterday morning. Have been working alone this week.

Mon 16 Hauled top dressing, ploughed, harrowed and prepared old raspberry lot in side hill for setting strawberry plants. Mrs. Frost came in boat this morning.

Tues 17 Sowed 'Mapes' fertilizer on land for strawberries, harrowed again, and set out strawberry plants today. Got plants from J E W – all Wilson's Albany. Gilbert helping me this week.

Wed 18 Heavy rain last night and this morning. Repairing children's shoes this forenoon Hauling off stone this afternoon. Maggie Frost came in the boat this morning.

Th 19 Repairing pasture fence this morning. Drove up to Leonard Crawford's this afternoon with Clara. Found water over the road in several places yet.

Fri 20 Hauled and spread manure on lot in orchard intending to set strawberry plants, ploughed it in the afternoon.

Sat 21 Finished preparing land for plants – sowed 'Mapes' fertilizer and set part of the ground this afternoon. Sent 10 pairs of fowls to market this morning by steamer.

Mon 23 Finished setting strawberry plants in lot in orchard today. Got load of straw from D P W.

Tues 24 Drove to the Reach this morning with Clara and Maggie Frost who took the boat to Fredericton to return tomorrow. Sowed fertilizer on new strawberry plants this afternoon. Steamer 'Clifton' brought a party from city today.

Wed 25 Hauled load of sawdust from Moss Glen for ice this morning. Drove to Reach this afternoon for Clara and Maggie. Foggy with showers towards evening.

Th 26 Hauled two loads sawdust for ice this morning. Finished sowing fertilizer on strawberry plants. Hauled and spread manure in lot for new raspberry plants.

Fri 27 Rain last night. Ploughed lot for raspberry plants, carrots & beets. Commenced setting raspberry plants – rain in the afternoon drove me off.

Sat 28 Clara drove Mrs. Frost and Maggie home today. Raining this afternoon. Fenced-in piece of meadow for calf. Set a few more raspberry plants but found it too wet. Clara did not return this evening.

Mon 30 Clara returned from Norton yesterday. Staking, thinning out and tying raspberry plants today.

Tues 31 Finished tying up raspberries and blackberries today. Cultivated some strawberries and commenced hoeing there. Sowed carrot and beet seed. Gilbert here today.

1887 June

Wed 1 Planted a few rows beans today. Ploughed land for corn. Hoeing strawberries back of hill.

Th 2 Light rain this morning. Cultivated strawberries in upper field and commenced hoeing them. Part of them are so poor that they are not worth hoeing.

Fri 3 Raining this morning. Dull all day. Did not hoe any. Cleaned out privy vault and composed with black mud.

Sat 4 Rained heavily last night and this morning. Too wet to work at hoeing. Doing little jobs about the place. Hauled stone off land.

Mon 6 Finished hoeing strawberries today. Hauled manure and prepared ground for planting table corn and beans. Cultivated raspberries and blackberries.

Tues 7 Planted table corn and beans – Gilbert hoed raspberries. Piece of ground back of hill for potatoes. Had J S W's horse with mine.

Wed 8 Commenced planting potatoes today, using Mapes Potato manure as a fertilizer.

Th 9 Heavy rain last night and this morning. Ground quite wet – worked at planting potatoes part of the afternoon.

Fri 10 Finished planting potatoes today. Planted early rose, susie's and early prolific's.

Sat 11 Sent rhubarb to market this morning by steamer – 2 crates. Repaired pasture fence this forenoon. Gilbert hoeing blackberries and strawberries. Ploughed garden, cultivated part of new strawberry and rhubarb – harrowed strip back of barn and sowed buckwheat in it.

Mon 13 Hoeing new strawberry field in orchard. Put brush on peas.

Tues 14 Finished picking stone, made cucumber bed. Ploughed lot for fodder corn and harrowed it.

Wed 15 Composting and hauling out manure for fodder corn.

Th 16 Working at preparing corn land this forenoon. Heavy SW wind and rain came on about noon. Working at school Assessment list this afternoon.

Fri 17 Finished preparing corn land today. Planted fodder corn with seed sower. Hauled stone off ground for turnips.

Sat 18 Cultivated new strawberry plants in orchard, and had them hoed by Gilbert and A W F. Also cultivated and hoed strawberry field back of hill, second time. Hauled out manure and ploughed ground for turnips.

Mon 20 Finished preparing ground and put in turnip seed today. Cultivated upper strawberry field and had Gilbert hoeing there.

Tues 21 Cultivated potato field and leveled the rows down with the harrow.

Cultivated beets and carrots and hoed them. Found beet and carrot seeds had not come up well. Public holiday today to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee anniversary.

Wed 22 Sick with heavy cold today. Rain this morning early, came on again before noon and lasted until evening. Heavy thunder showers in the afternoon.

Th 23 Rain this morning – foggy all day. Kept the house nearly all day not feeling well – able to do much.

Fri 24 Raining again about all day. Feeling better. Working about wood house, workshop and cellar. Made out school bills.

Queen Victoria. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Sat 25 Spent part of the day delivering school bills – drove up to the Point. Cut blossoms from new strawberry plants.

Mon 27 Clipping blossoms from new plants. Hoed new raspberry plants and beans. Working about barnyard.

Tues 28 Gilbert with me today. Finished second hoeing of strawberries. Cultivated and hoed raspberries and blackberries. Cultivated part of new strawberry plants. Pulled a crate of rhubarb.

Wed 29 Put swamp mud under stable and manure shed. Hauled load of manure from calf shed to barn.

Th 30 Heavy thunder shower last night and again this afternoon. Transplanted some carrots this morning. Doing other little jobs about the place. Commenced hoeing new strawberry plants this afternoon but was driven off by rain.

1887 July

Fri 1 Transplanted some beets this morning. Hoeing new strawberries. Pulled crate of rhubarb for market tomorrow.

Sat 2 Hoeing new plants today. Cultivated field in orchard.

Mon 4 Working all day at barnyard. Composted sheep manure and hauled it around to manure shed.

Tues 5 Hoeing new strawberry plants in orchard. Picked three quarts berries today.

Wed 6 Foggy with showers during the day. Pulling weeds in strawberries this morning. Transplanted some beets this afternoon.

Th 7 Foggy this morning cleared off in the afternoon. Picked more berries today. Working about house and pulling weeds. James had horse to Kingston this afternoon.

Fri 8 Find that my horse is quite lame with a sprain coming in her leg. Will not likely be fit for work this summer. Worked at weeding strawberries and hoeing nearly all day. Pulled crate of rhubarb.

Sat 9 Hoeing part of the forenoon in new plants. Picking today. Fitted up tables &c for pickers and commenced making crates.

Mon 11 Gilbert finished hoeing new strawberry plants. Hoed beets and carrots. Working at crates. Dull and wet this afternoon.

Tues 12 Cultivated fodder corn, potatoes and turnips with J S W's horse. Gilbert hoed fodder corn and commenced hoeing potatoes. Making boxes this afternoon. Lodge this evening.

Wed 13 Wet again this morning, dull all day. Working about house this morning. Hoeing potatoes with Gilbert this afternoon. J S W went to city for me with berries this evening.

Th 14 Hoed turnips today – hoed rhubarb.

Fri 15 Taking weeds out of beets &c this morning and looking after berries. Making crates this afternoon.

Sat 16 Making crates picking berries &c today.

Mon 18 Worked at crate making part of the day. Busy with picking, getting off berries and helping pickers most of the day.

Tues 19 Haying today. Cut lodged grass next to rhubarb and cured it.

Wed 20 Cut and cured some lodged grass on face of the hill. Hauled in two loads of hay cut yesterday.

Th 21 Dull hay day – foggy. Did not get in my hay. Opened and put it up again. Working about barn this morning fitting up for haying. Hoeing this afternoon in new plants. Strawberry festival and sale today.

Fri 22 Hauled in hay this morning – 2 small loads. Shower this forenoon. Hoeing in new plants this afternoon. Pulled two crates of rhubarb for market.

Sat 23 Dull and showery all day – heavy rain towards evening. Picking berries most of the day.

Mon 25 Raining most of the time yesterday and today. Did not get much picking done today on account of the rain. Working at crates and other jobs about woodhouse.

Tues 26 Raining this morning, cleared off about 10:00 o'clock. Picking berries part of the morning – transplanted turnip plants this afternoon. Pulled rhubarb for market.

Wed 27 Dull this morning, cleared off about noon. Mowed grass along the roadside this morning. Hoed a short time in new plants. Fitted up horse rake and mowed some this afternoon.

Th 28 Making hay. J S W mowed for me with one horse machine. Foggy this evening.

Fri 29 Dull and foggy this forenoon – mowed a little. Cleared off about noon. Opened hay and got in two loads before night.

Sat 30 Foggy this morning – cleared off before noon. Haying all day got in one load. Foggy again this evening.

1887 August

Mon 1 Haying all day. Had mowing machine. Got in two loads

Tues 2 Very hot. All day in the hay field. Put in four small loads. Cut side hill.

Wed 3 Threatening rain this morning. Hauled in hay cut yesterday – 2 loads. Rain came on about 7½ o'clock. Picked raspberries this forenoon. Did some hoeing and weeding in the afternoon.

Th 4 Fine. Haying all day, did not haul any.

Fri 5 Foggy this morning – fine in the afternoon. Picked raspberries in the forenoon. Opened part of my hay in the afternoon and got in two loads. Killed chickens for market tomorrow.

Sat 6 Fog again this morning – heavy rain this afternoon and evening. Picked raspberries and busy with other little jobs about the place.

Mon 8 Fine – haying all day. Will Marshall helping me this week. Got in three small loads.

Tues 9 Another good hay day. Commenced cutting upper meadow with mowing machine. Got in three loads.

Wed 10 Poor hay day. Cut the balance upper meadow. Hauled three loads. Shower this evening. James helping me today.

Th 11 Dull this morning – cleared off in the forenoon. Opened and turned hay before noon. Hauled in three loads after dinner when shower came on and caught the rest of it out – about 2 loads.

Fri 12 Raining all day – worked at repairing shoes and other jobs about barn and woodhouse.

Sat 13 Fine. Cut hay in little meadow today. Had to leave most of it out. Hauled three loads.

Mon 15 Finished haying today by cutting hay in orchard. Hauled three loads. Got in 35 loads altogether through the season.

Tues 16 Pulling weeds in strawberry fields most of the day. Cultivated turnip field. Shower this afternoon.

Wed 17 Cut grass in calf yard today. Picked raspberries. Cultivated new strawberry plants and commenced hoeing them.

Th 18 Hoeing new strawberry field. Hauled in hay cut yesterday, raining this afternoon and evening.

Fri 19 Picked raspberries this morning. Pulling weeds in strawberries this afternoon.

Sat 20 Pulling weeds in raspberries and strawberries this forenoon. Hoed garden. Hoeing new strawberry plants.

Mon 22 Hoeing new strawberry plants most of the day.

Tues 23 Hoeing all day in new plants. Gilbert helping me, rain this evening.

Wed 24 Picked berries this morning. Drove to St. John this afternoon with berries. Gilbert helping me today.

Th 25 Heavy rain last night. Returned from city this morning. Had D P W's horse for the drive. Cleaned out well this afternoon. Misty and damp today.

Fri 26 Drove to Kingston this forenoon for Dr. Paddock, as Clara wished to consult him about her feet, that were troubling her. Picked berries in the afternoon and pulled weeds. Mowed a small patch of oats.

Sat 27 Weeding and hoeing today. Cultivated old strawberry fields this afternoon and commenced hoeing.

Mon 29 Hoeing strawberries most of the day. Hauled in oats cut Friday.

Tues 30 Hoeing strawberries – Gilbert helping me. Picked blackberries this afternoon.

Wed 31 Hoeing strawberries this forenoon with Gilbert. Ploughed out part of old strawberry field this afternoon, had J S Wetmore's horse with mine. Clara and the children went to Norton this evening in the steamer 'Clifton' to return tomorrow.

1887 September

Th 1 Hoeing this morning. Went to Norton in 'Clifton' and returned this afternoon with the family.

Fri 2 Finished hoeing this morning. Harrowed land just plowed and cleared off vines and weeds. Picked blackberries in the afternoon. Raining this evening.

Sat 3 Foggy and damp all day, raining part of the afternoon. Doing work about wood house and barn.

Mon 5 Preparing land for setting raspberry plants in old strawberry field. Mowed oats on side hill today.

Tues 6 Working at raspberry field today. Picked blackberries – turned oats this afternoon. Commenced setting raspberry plants. School picnic at Leonard Crawford's place today.

Wed 7 Raining this morning – foggy all day. Setting raspberry plants all day.

Th 8 Heavy rain with thunder and lightening last night. Finished setting raspberry plants this morning. Set 312 hills altogether. Dug out a few rows of early potatoes – turned oats this afternoon.

Fri 9 Got some gooseberry and current bushes from May Ann Wetmore this morning – picked blackberries. Got in oats on 'side hill' this afternoon. Gilbert helping me. Attended Silver wedding at D P Wetmore's this evening.

Sat 10 Raining this forenoon – working about wood house. Set gooseberry and current bushes this afternoon.

Mon 12 Prepared for hauling out top dressing on strawberries and hauled on load. Drove part of the way to Kingston with Mrs. J Pickett who came down yesterday afternoon.

Tues 13 Doing little jobs of work about the place today. Party of Mason's up from St. John this evening to visit our Lodge.

Wed 14 Dull and misty all day with rain towards evening. Set more gooseberry and current plants. Moved bed of 'Lily of the Valley' in the garden. Hauled one load manure for strawberries.

Th 15 Hauling out top dressing for strawberries this morning. Mowing oats in upper meadow this afternoon.

Fri 16 Getting manure on strawberries this morning. Finished mowing oats in upper meadow this afternoon.

Sat 17 Turned oats this morning, threshed little lot of buckwheat near barn. Hauled part of oats from upper meadow this afternoon – two loads – Gilbert helping me.

Mon 19 Got in the rest of my oats today with Gilbert's help.

Tues 20 Composted manure for strawberries. Gathered NB apples this afternoon. Bought a horse from E P Fullerton, that I might give the mare a chance to rest and cure her lame leg. Cut fodder corn today.

Wed 21 Finished hauling out manure for strawberries this morning. Hauled in fodder corn and stored it in sheep shed.

Thur 22 Working about barn nearly all day. Shoveled out muck from under stable and filled it in with fresh mud. Annie Frost came today from St. John.

Fri 23 Working about barn and manure shed most of the day. Clara and the children went to the city in the boat today with Annie Frost to return tomorrow evening.

Sat 24 Dug out a few potatoes this morning. Repaired fence in lane this afternoon. Drove to Waddell's for buckwheat flour.

Mon 26 Threshed out small lot of welcome oats today by hand, and cleaned them up.

Tues 27 Drove to St. John today for supplies Got feed and meal to come by boat on Saturday

Wed 28 Commenced sawing and splitting up some small wood left over last spring.

Th 29 Working at wood nearly all day.

Fri 30 Sawing and splitting wood this morning. Drove to Moss Glen this afternoon for load of chips for kindling. – during my absence Lt Col Maunsell came to inspect the armory, but was unable to do so as I had the key away. He was obliged to leave to catch the train just as I arrived home. Mr & Mrs. J Pickett here this evening, she remained over night to take the boat for St. John in the morning

1887 October

Sat 1 Stored chips in chip bin. Working at wood part of the day. Clara drove up to Leonard Crawford's this afternoon. Hauled freight from boat this evening.

Mon 3 Finished cutting up wood today. Cut table corn stalks, hauled a load of sawdust from icehouse to the barn. Heavy rain yesterday.

Tues 4 Spent part of the forenoon on school business. Drove to Kingston this afternoon to attend church corporation meeting. Raining part of the day.

Wed 5 Dug out a few potatoes today. Doing little jobs about the place.

Th 6 Dug more potatoes find their a very poor crop. Shower this afternoon. Spent some time today about some repairs to be done at the school house.

Fri 7 Threshed out a few oats this forenoon – working at potatoes this afternoon.

Sat 8 Digging out potatoes most of the day. Find early rose a very light crop but almost free from rot.

Mon 10 Working at digging out potatoes part of the day.

Tues 11 Raining part of the day. Doing little jobs about workshop, barn and house.

Wed 12 Gathered apples today – very light crop. Spent part of the day looking after work at the school room. Clara and the children drove to Norton this afternoon to return tomorrow.

Th 13 Attended annual school meeting this forenoon. Spent most of the afternoon looking after school matters. Rain this evening.

Fri 14 Digging out potatoes most of the day. Clara and the children came home yesterday evening.

Sat 15 Digging potatoes again today – fine and cold.

Mon 17 Finished digging potatoes today. Crop very poor – only 20 bushels from a large quarter of an acre. Hauled one load of cellar wood today.

Tues 18 Put some wood in woodhouse. Got threshing machine moved to my barn preparing to thresh oats. Wet this afternoon.

Wed 19 Worked most of the day at making changes in the stable in order to accommodate all my stock.

Th 20 Threshed oats today. Had J S W's horse for the threshing machine. James, Geo H F and A H F helping me.

Fri 21 Putting in straw, cleaning up oats &c today. Had 52 bushels oats machine with 5 bush. threshed by hand.

Sat 22 Spent most of the day repairing fences blown down in the gale last night. Did some work in stable this afternoon.

Mon 24 Raining most of the day. Working at fitting up horse stalls in stable.

Tues 25 Election of councilors today. Spent most of the day at the polls. John O Dann and R W Wetmore elected.

Wed 26 Hauled threshing machine away from the barn. Pulled and got in beets and carrots today. Cold.

Th 27 Pulled and got in part of my turnips today. Ground frozen too hard to get them out in the morning.

Fri 28 Working on repairs about barn most of the day.

Sat 29 Got in the rest of my turnips today. Had about 60 bushels in all from 1/8 of an acre.

Mon 31 Working at barn part of the day. Hauled some stone off potato field.

1887 November

Tues 1 Took ties off blackberries and raspberries this morning. Finished hauling small stone off potato field.

Wed 2 Cutting old canes out of blackberries and raspberries this morning. Preparing to get rocks out of potato field.

Th 3 Ploughing oat stubble in upper meadow had J S W's horse with my old one.

Fri 4 Ploughing all day. Ploughed corn stubble this afternoon.

Sat 5 Did a little ploughing with one horse this morning. Got stone lifter and took some rocks out of the potatoes.

Mon 7 Mild and warm. Drove to Norton today for ram from Mr Frost.

Tues 8 Worked most of the day at getting rocks out of potato field. Maggie Frost came today

Wed 9 Working at rocks part of the morning. Finished cutting canes out of raspberries and laid some of the new ones down. Quite cold last night and today.

Th 10 Got J S W's horse with mine and hauled some rocks off potato field this morning. Working in raspberries this afternoon.

Fri 11 Raining nearly all day. Repairing boots and shoes most of the day.

Sat 12 Sent beets and turnips to market this morning. Finished laying down raspberries today.

Mon 14 Hauled out top dressing from slop hole for raspberries. Commenced banking house this afternoon.

Tues 15 Finished banking house today, used chips from old shipyard for part of the banking Raining this afternoon and evening.

Wed 16 Worked most of the day laying down blackberries.

Th 17 Thanksgiving Day. Maggie went home today. Drove her up to J B Flewelling's. Hauling out manure for raspberries.

Fri 18 Hauling out top dressing this morning. Got J S W's horse to mate mine for ploughing this afternoon. Commenced ploughing potato field.

Sat 19 Ploughed all day. Finished potato field and turnip field and commenced a piece of sod in upper meadow. Heavy wind and rain this evening.

Mon 21 Ploughing again today. Finished piece of sod in upper meadow and ploughed small piece near the house.

Tues 22 Hauling out top dressing for raspberries and blackberries. Ploughed through raspberries and opened surface drain above smoke house.

Wed 23 Composted privy manure and hauled it out on rhubarb.

Th 24 Hauled manure from barn and hen house for rhubarb.

Fri 25 Hauled out manure from barn for top dressing on new meadow on side hill. Doing some repairs about barn.

Sat 26 Wet and misty Attended annual meeting of the Agr Soc. at Hall today.

Mon 28 Wet and showery – working at odd jobs about barn nearly all day. Heavy rain this evening.

Tues 29 Colder and fine. Worked all day at piling wood in wood house.

Wed 30 Fitted up wagon for hauling brush this morning. Commenced cutting brush this afternoon, very cold this evening.

1887 December

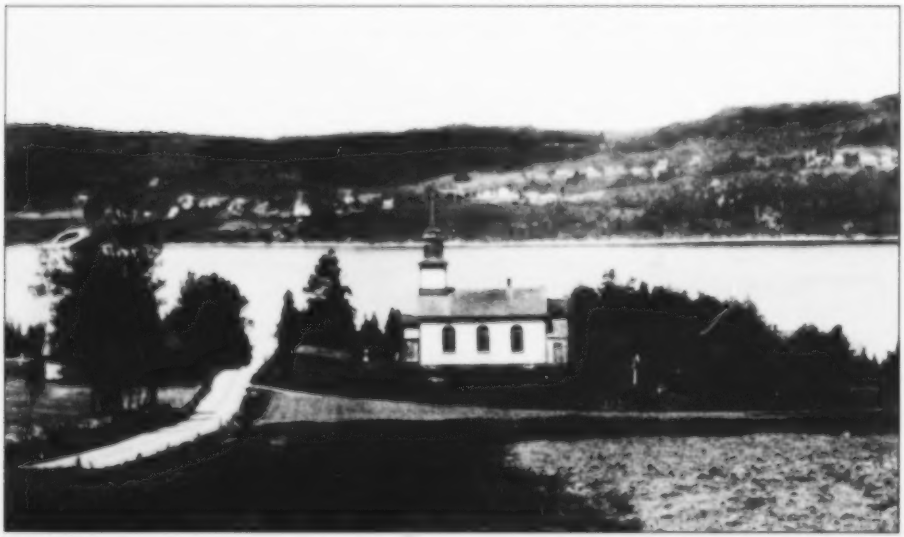
Th 1 Very cold day. Cutting brush this morning. Commenced hauling this afternoon. Hauled one load and broke wagon axle. River froze over this evening.

Fri 2 Butchered pig today – weighed 210 lbs. Hauled two loads brush in the afternoon. James cutting and helping to load.

Sat 3 Cow 'Cherry' had a calf last night – laid out in the pasture all night. Hauled four loads brush today. Weather much warmer. Light rain today.

Mon 5 Spreading and hauling brush – James chopping. Got 4 loads today. Wet this afternoon and evening.

Tues 6 Confined to the house most of the day with a cold. James cutting brush this morning hauled 4 loads this afternoon, Douglas helping him. Spread some brush this afternoon. Ice broken up in the river.



A view of Clifton from the vicinity of Gondola Point. (Source: New Brunswick Provincial Archives, Fredericton, N.B., New Brunswick Travelogue Photographs - P171-20)

Wed 7 Hauling brush all day – James and Douglas cutting. Got in 7 loads. Wagon wheel gave out with last load.

Th 8 Snow last night and today – about 2 inches fell. Did not do anything with brush. Working about barn most of the day. Put pork in pickle today. Gondola Point ferry running today.

Fri 9 Spent most of the day looking for ram that had strayed away from my sheep. Did not get him but heard of him at Kingston. James and Douglas cutting brush. River closed last night.

Sat 10 Drove to Kingston today and succeeded in finding ram at Mrs. Godfrey's. Drove on to Norton to take him home – returned in the evening. Crossing ice on foot at Gondola Point today.

Mon 12 Raining yesterday and today – very heavily part of the time. Ice partly broken up in the river. Repairing children's shoes today. Put some glass in Masonic Hall windows this afternoon.

Tues 13 Fine and mild. River almost clear of ice here – Gondola Point ferry open again. Covered slop hole and banked up cellar doors today. Not frozen hard enough to haul.

Wed 14 Hauling brush all day. Got in 8 loads – James helping.

Th 15 Finished hauling and spreading brush this forenoon. Hauled three loads today. Ice formed again in river last night, but did not stop the ferry at the Point.

Fri 16 Rained last night and today – turned to snow this evening. Working about house and barn and workshop River all open today.

Sat 17 Fine today. About 3 inches of snow fell last night. Working about house and barn putting on outside sashes &c. River still open.

Mon 19 Mild and damp. Drove to St. John today with Clara. Crossing Gondola Point Ferry.

Tues 20 Working about barn, wood house and hen house. Hauled a load of brush for greening the church.

Wed 21 Fitting up about barn and house for winter. River froze over last night. Ferry still running.

Th 22 Working about home. Ferry kept open all day.

Fri 23 Repairing broken plaster about house this morning. Made new door for small door way at barn this afternoon.

Sat 24 Fine and clear. Mail driver crossed here with horse. This morning. Working about wood house and barn. No snow yet.

Mon 26 Drove to Kingston Church yesterday – Christmas Day. Fine and cold. Drove to Norton today with Clara and the boys. Went with a wagon and by the road.

Tues 27 Returned from Norton today. Came on the ice from Hampton to Waddell's. Still fine and cold.

Wed 28 Working about barn and house. Sold old horse today to Alex Waddell for $15.00.

Th 29 Snow storm last night with heavy wind, turned to rain this morning. Some heavy drifts this morning but not much snow fell. Drove to Rothesay this afternoon for freight with the mare and sled. The mare is still quite lame.

Fri 30 Working in workshop part of the day. Cold and windy.

Sat 31 Very cold last night and today. Working in shop and about barn &c.

1888 January

Mon 2 Snow storm yesterday afternoon and evening turned to heavy rain and continued through the greater part of today. Took off most of the snow. Working about shop and wood house.

Tues 3 Working about barn and house most of the day. Fine. Commenced feeding new milk cow with cut hay and ground feed alone.

Wed 4 Fine and cold. Working in woods making road to wood lot.

Th 5 Fine. Working in woods again this afternoon.

Fri 6 Cutting fencing on the hill in the pasture today.

Sat 7 Working about barn and house. Drove to Rothesay for load of feed with D P W's horse. Snowing this evening.

Mon 9 Snow of Saturday evening did not last long – turned to rain at the last. Cutting fencing this morning. Working about barn this afternoon.

Tues 10 Cutting fencing this morning. Light snow this afternoon. Attended Lodge meeting this evening.

Wed 11 Preparing to go to city tomorrow – got 4 lambs killed.

Th 12 Drove to St. John and back today. Took to market lamb, butter and eggs. Very cold and windy.

Fri 13 Working about barn and house. Snowing this afternoon with heavy SE wind.

Sat 14 Fine and mild today. Put new tub in the water shed at barn today.

Mon 16 Raining yesterday afternoon and evening. Cold and fine today. Working at repairing shoes today.

Tues 17 Cold and fine – threatening snow tonight. Working at children's shoes most of day.

Wed 18 Snowing all day – wind NE. Working at repairing shoes and other jobs about house.

Th 19 Snow quite deep today – blowing and drifting. Working about barn and wood house.

Fri 20 Working about house and barn. Cold and windy.

Sat 21 Still blowing and drifting. Working most of the day about barn.

Mon 23 Cold weather continues. Broke out road to the woods this afternoon.

Tues 24 Light snow last night. Working about barn and house today.

Wed 25 Cold this morning 14 below zero. Getting fencing this morning. Hauled two loads fencing this afternoon. Broke foreward sled.

Th 26 Snowing most of the day – turned to rain this evening. Working on repairing sled.

Fri 27 Rain of last night did not continue long – snowing again today. Working at sled most of the day.

Sat 28 Very cold last night 19 below zero. Working at sled today.

Mon 30 Water pipe at barn stopped yesterday – frozen at the mouth. Thawing it out today with hot irons. Took tea at Richard's this evening.

Tues 31 Working at water pipe all day. Have been able to get only a very small stream of water to run. Afraid I shall lose it entirely. Fine and mild.

1888 February

Wed 1 Commenced digging up part of water pipe today in order to get at obstruction in it.

Th 2 Working at water pipe all day. Have not got it cleared out yet. Fine and warm.

Fri 3 Working at pipes all day. Took up 8 lengths of pipe altogether and passed rods through the rest of the pipe to clean it out. Found a very small supply of water.

Sat 4 Working at water pipes, cleaned ice out of pipes that I had taken up and prepared to lay them again. Hauled water from well at house for stock.

Mon 6 Heavy rain Saturday night and Sunday. Mild today. Laid down water pipes today and covered them – very small stream running.

Tues 7 Working about barn and house. Drove to Waddell's mill for load of hulls this afternoon.

Wed 8 Working about barn and house. Had 2 sheep killed today preparing to go to market. Raining again this evening.

Th 9 Drove to St. John today with J S W's horse. Took mutton to market and brought back supplies. Fine and cold.

Fri 10 Fine and cold. Drove to Rothesay this afternoon for freight, feed and oats.

Sat 11 Snowing all day. Working about barn and wood house.

Mon 13 Water at barn stopped running entirely yesterday. Hauled water for cattle today. Working about house and barn. Finished repairing sleds today.

Tues 14 Hauled some fencing this morning. Drove to wood lot to break road this afternoon, found snow quite heavy on the road. Mild and thawing today. Tenth anniversary of our wedding day – party of friends here this afternoon and evening.

Wed 15 Snowing all day. Working about barn and house. Edwin Flewelling here this afternoon.

Th 16 Drove to woods twice today to break road and hauled in two loads of wood.

Fri 17 Snowing this forenoon. Drove to Moss Glen for load of sawdust this afternoon. Drove to Mr Waddell's this evening on school business.

Sat 18 Working about barn and woodhouse this morning. Drove to Leonard Crawford's this afternoon with Clara.

Mon 20 Hauling wood today. Gilbert W chopping for me. Got in 4 small loads. Snowing today – turned to rain. Heifer 'Rose' had a calf today. Turned to rain this evening. Mr & Mrs. G Merritt, R W W & D P W were here this evening to tea.

Tues 21 Heavy rain last night and this morning. Got water running through pipe at the barn today.

Wed 22 Fine and mild. Not frozen hard enough for hauling. Working about barn and house. Started smoke house. Allan Frost here today.

Th 23 Not fit for hauling yet. Cutting hay and doing other work about house and barn.

Fri 24 Hauling all day – got in four loads. Party of friends from Norton here this evening.

Sat 25 Got in 5 loads of wood today. Threatening storm this evening.

Mon 27 Hauling wood all day, got in 6 loads.

Tues 28 Hauling wood James chopping for me. Got in 5 loads. Fine and cold.

Wed 29 Quite cold and fine. Hauled 4 loads wood. Allan Frost brought me a load of Marsh hay.

1888 March

Th 1 Hauling wood all day – working alone . Got in 4 loads.

Fri 2 Finished hauling firewood today. Got in 35 loads altogether.

Sat 3 Working about house and barn. James hauling wood with my horse today. Light snow. Agricultural meeting at Hall tonight.

Mon 5 Working about barn, workshop &c.

Tues 6 Working about home all day. Got horse shod.

Wed 7 Drove to St. John today for load of feed and supplies for house.

Th 8 Commenced getting ice this afternoon. Hauled five loads.

Fri 9 Hauling and packing ice all day. Gilbert Wetmore helping me. Put in 24 cakes altogether. Ice very thick and good. Mrs. Frost came this evening from Kingston.

Sat 10 Got load of sawdust from Moss Glen this morning. Doing work about house and barn. Mr Frost came this evening from Kingston – walked down.

Mon 12 Hauled load of sawdust from Moss Glen this morning. Justus Pickett came down this afternoon and took Mr & Mrs. Frost home with him.

Tues 13 Went to the woods this morning to cut some logs for mill. Working about barn and wood house this afternoon. Snowing this afternoon and evening.

Wed 14 Cutting hay and working about house this morning. Went to the woods in the afternoon to cut logs.

Th 15 Hauling out logs for frame today.

Fri 16 Cutting logs this forenoon. Hauling this afternoon. Finished getting what I will need for frame.

Sat 17 Snowing a little this morning. Working about house and barn. Moved calf down to shed near the house. Got stuff for berry boxes from D P W today.

Mon 19 Working about home this morning. Cutting fencing this afternoon.

Tues 20 Cutting fencing this morning. Hauled wood for A H Flewelling this afternoon. Raining this evening.

Wed 21 Rain most of the day. Worked at repairing boots.

Th 22 Heavy rain last night and this morning. Working at boots most of the day.

Fri 23 Working about barn and house today. Turned colder tonight.

Sat 24 Hauled fencing down the hill today. Took tea at Burton Flewelling's this evening.

Mon 26 Hauled two loads sawdust from Moss Glen today for ice house.

Tues 27 Light snow today ended in a cold drizzling rain. Hauled load of oats and feed from Rothesay this forenoon.

Wed 28 Raining nearly all day. Had calf killed for market today. Working about the barn and wood house cutting hay and wood today.

Th 29 Sent veal, eggs and butter to market by J S W today. – raining most of the day cleared off this evening. Went to Moss Glen this morning with cow. Repairing boots and shoes this afternoon.

Fri 30 Good Friday. Opened mud swamp and commenced hauling mud this morning. Working about barn this afternoon. Snowing this morning.

1888 April

Mon 2 Drove to Kingston Church with wagon yesterday – Easter Sunday. Hauled three loads mud this morning. Went to Kingston in the afternoon to attend Easter Monday church meeting. Snowing all day.

Tues 3 Working at hauling mud most of the day – hauled 4 loads.

Wed 4 Hauled 6 loads mud today. Cow 'Spot' had a calf last night. Decided to raise it.

Th 5 Hauling mud this forenoon – got in 4 loads. Working about barn cutting hay &c most of the afternoon.

Fri 6 Raining most of the forenoon. Working at the shoe bench, about the barn and house.

Sat 7 Fine and cool. Opened cellar today. Working about barn most of the forenoon. Tapped some maples today.

Mon 9 Fine and cool. Hauled 3 loads mud this forenoon. Mr & Mrs. Justus Pickett here to dinner.

Tues 10 Hauled 3 loads mud this morning. Working about house and barn this afternoon. Got 27 loads mud altogether. Attended Lodge meeting this evening.

Wed 11 Commenced cutting up small wood at door today.

Th 12 Snow fell last night and this forenoon and made very fair sledding on the roads. Hauled two loads of sawdust from Moss Glen today for ice house. Had enough to cover ice and took part of one load to the barn.

Fri 13 Working about house and barn all day. Snowing part of the day.

Sat 14 Repairing children's shoes, and working in shop today. Fine and cool.

Mon 16 Working about house and workshop most of the day. Ice getting poor last crossing for horse on Saturday.

Tues 17 Damp snow falling part of the day. Fitting up little things about the house. Gondola Point ferry clear of ice but no crossing yet.

Wed 18 Opened sink drain today and cleaned ice out of it.

Th 19 Working about house and barn. James went to work to help me cut up small wood. Cut a lot of hay. Gondola Point ferry running today.

Fri 20 Working about home, killed 5 pairs fowls for market. Got out express wagon, expecting to drive to city tomorrow.

Sat 21 Snow this morning turned to fine rain after daylight – did not go to city – sent fowls by express. Drove to the ferry this morning to get them off.

Mon 23 Working about house and barn. Clifton ferry clear of ice today. James sawing wood this forenoon. Steamer 'Clifton' came down as far as Clifton today.

Tues 24 Snowing with strong wind this morning prevented me from going to city. Expecting to go in the morning.

Wed 25 Drove to St. John and returned today. Found the roads heavy part of the way. Crossed the Clifton ferry.

Th 26 Working about house and barn today.

Fri 27 Fine and warm – river clear of ice above the island. Took off outside sashes today. Repairing wagon wheel.

Sat 28 Finished repairing wagon wheel this forenoon and put tire on it. Smith Pickett sheared sheep for me this afternoon.

Mon 30 Steamer 'Clifton' ran to St. John this forenoon and returned today. Planted peas today. Cut and hauled pea brush. Hauled some banking away from cellar wall.

1888 May

Tues 1 Cold rain with NE wind all day. Working about shop, house and barn.

Wed 2 Cold and windy all day. Clara went to Norton with Rev D I W. this morning to return tomorrow. Got out seed potatoes today for sprouting. Commenced painting wagon wheels.

Th 3 James commenced work for me today. Hauled away banking – took down part of road fence. Finished painting wheels. Clara returned this evening.

Fri 4 Got 500 lbs hay from D P W this morning. Cut a lot of hay. Hauled away old fencing material from roadside this afternoon.

Sat 5 Cultivated rhubarb this forenoon. Got fertilizer procured through Ag Society and sowed grass top dressing on little meadow. Raining this evening.

Mon 7 Not feeling well today. James took up raspberries and blackberries and hoed rhubarb. Got freight from city by boat.

Tues 8 Repairing fences part of the day. Got two loads of straw from D P W. Commenced taking off brush.

Wed 9 Went to city today in steamer 'Clifton' returned in the evening.

Th 10 Got another load of straw today. Fixed up fences to let cows and sheep go to pasture. Taking off brush.

Fri 11 Taking off brush nearly all day. James not helping me since Tuesday.

Sat 12 Finished taking off brush today. – plants looking fairly well – winter killed in spots. James helping me today. Not able to do much.

Mon 14 Not able to be out yesterday and today. James looking after the stock. Made out school assessment list today. Wet all day.

Tues 15 Feeling better. Raining all day. Cut up a lot of hay this forenoon with James helping. Working about wood house this afternoon.

Wed 16 Drove to Rothesay this forenoon for box of military great coats. Fitted up place in barn for express wagon. James not helping me.

Th 17 Showery today. Cleared up barn yard this morning. Got horse shod. Hauled logs to the shore this afternoon. Ground too wet to work.

Fri 18 Arbor Day at the school, spent the forenoon helping to fit up school grounds. Planted a few potatoes this afternoon. Made onion bed. Pulled 50 lbs rhubarb for market.

Sat 19 Hauled out hen manure for top dressing – prepared ground and sowed oats in upper meadow today. Sowed grass and grain fertilizer with oats.

Mon 21 Hauled manure, ploughed ground and set 3 rows 'Derby' raspberry plants next rhubarb patch. Hauled stone off ploughed land. Commenced cross ploughing piece of sod near the house.

Tues 22 Sowed grass seed in upper meadow. – rolled it in. Got 2 bags fertilizer. Finished ploughing piece of sod. Got load of hay from D P W – 720 lbs. Pulled rhubarb for market tomorrow.

Wed 23 Commenced planting potatoes in piece of sod land near the house. Sowed 'Bowker' fertilizer in oat field in upper meadow.

Th 24 Worked at planting potatoes all day alone. Excursion party from St. John came by 'Clifton' today.

Fri 25 Finished planting potatoes near the house today. Filled three crates rhubarb for market tomorrow.

Sat 26 Ploughed ground for planting near the barn and planted a few potatoes this afternoon. Clara went to city by boat today.

Mon 28 Hauled out manure on land to set strawberries and ploughed ground, sowed fertilizer and planted a few potatoes near the barn.

Tues 29 Raining all day. Working about the house and barn. Had calf killed for market.

Wed 30 Drove to St. John and returned today. James working at raspberries and repairing fence. Stephen Wetmore helping this afternoon.

Th 31 Finished planting potatoes near barn – prepared ground and commenced setting strawberry plants – James and Stephen W helping me.

1888 June

Fri 1 Raining this forenoon. Working about barn and house. Pulled 2 crates rhubarb for market this evening. Wet again this evening.

Sat 2 Finished setting plants. Cultivated young raspberry plants and hoed part of them. Cultivated strawberry field in orchard and hoed part of it. Ploughed and prepared ground for beets & carrots. James and Stephen helping.

Mon 4 Hauled out manure for vegetables – covered it and prepared rows – sowed beet seed.

Tues 5 Alfred Brien helping me today. James away. Sowed carrot seed – cultivated some strawberry plants and half them hoed. Ploughed ground for table corn. Ploughed out part of three rows of raspberries and prepared ground for beans.

Wed 6 Hauled beans – tied up raspberries – prepared ground for corn, cultivated strawberries back of hill and commenced hoeing them.

Th 7 Cultivated upper strawberry field and commenced hoeing them. Planted table corn. – thinned out raspberries.

Fri 8 Ploughed and prepared ground near barn for fodder corn, hauled manure on it, cleaned out vault under stable, tied up blackberries. James at work again.

Sat 9 Planted fodder corn – cultivated and hoed raspberries and blackberries. Fitting out men for camp – A Brien left today.

Mon 11 Drove to Norton yesterday with Clara and the children. Rain last night – fog and mist today. Made out school assessment list. James not here.

Tues 12 Fine. Staked and tied up young raspberry plants, put lime over corn and potatoes. Cultivated and commenced hoeing potatoes near the house. Drove to Waddell's this morning.

Wed 13 Drove over to French Village with Clara and David, returned in the evening. James hoeing potatoes and other small jobs.

Th 14 Hauled out manure and ploughed land for turnips.

Fri 15 Wet today. Spent most of the day in the armory arranging property &c. Pulled 2 crates rhubarb this evening. James not at work.

From right to left: Major Roswell Arnold, Capt. H. D. Wetmore, Major Sam Langstroth, Capt. Clarence Spooner, Horatio Pickett, Ernest Givan, cadet instructor, bugler Harry Arnold. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Clifton, Reeds Point, and the beautiful Kennebecasis River viewed from the Church Hill, c. 1890. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Sat 16 Went to Moss Glen this morning to look for calf that had gone astray. Did not find it. Planted some fodder corn today. Sowed turnip seed back of orchard.

Mon 18 Drove to the Reach this morning looking for calf, but did not find it. James taking stone off new strawberry field. Ploughed ground on side hill for buckwheat and hauled manure for top dressing – made yard for calf pasture.

Tues 19 Put in buckwheat on side hill and upper meadow today. Sowed 'complete Ag fertilizers with it. A Waddell took logs to Moss Glen for me.

Wed 20 Rolled in buckwheat land. Cultivated new strawberry plants and field in orchard, and commenced hoeing. Drove to Moss Glen this afternoon.

Th 21 Drove to St. John and returned. Calf comes home.

Fri 22 Wet this forenoon. Set out some cabbage plants. Hauled load of black mud to barn. Preparing for camp.

Sat 23 James hoeing strawberries. Preparing for camp

[This bit written by Clara]

Mon 25 Preparing for camp. Wet all day. Set posts for wire fence.

Tues 26 Foggy morning, partly clear through the middle of the day with heavy rain at night coming on about half past 6. How left for camp Chatham this morn by 'Clifton' to Rothesay. Geo Howard Flewelling helps James stretch the wire fence. – J. hoeing strawberries in the afternoon – takes home Rosie's milk tonight.

1888 July

Sat 7 Returned from Camp Chatham today. All day on the road. Arrived home by Steamer 'Clifton' from Rothesay about 1 o'clock at night with the company.

Mon 9 Spent the day arranging and taking over property at the armory. Picked berries.

Tues 10 Working at armory and doing other jobs about house. James weeding berries.

Wed 11 Hoeing and weeding. Cultivated new strawberry plants, carrots & beets. Made hammock for children this afternoon. Allan and Minnie Frost here tonight.

Th 12 Heavy wind and rain last night and this morning. Picked berries – transplanted some beets today.

Fri 13 Fitted up table for berry pickers, cleaned weeds out of garden.

Sat 14 Picking berries part of the day. Drove to St. John with berries in the afternoon. Returned home about midnight.

Mon 16 Picking berries most of the day. James hoeing potatoes and cultivating turnips &c.

Tues 17 Hauled load of crate lumber from Moss Glen this morning. S S Carmichael and Marion Wetmore married this afternoon at the church.

Wed 18 Busy with picking and looking after berries all day. Gilbert Wetmore hoeing potatoes for me today.

Th 19 Picking berries and doing other jobs about the place.

Fri 20 Raining nearly all day. Did not get any picking done. Made some berry crates. Attend' at laying out road to the shore this afternoon.

Sat 21 Picking this forenoon. Drove to St. John in the afternoon with berries. Elsie went with me. Annie down sick with the scarlet fever.

Mon 23 Rained again last night. Picking berries all day.

Tues 24 Picking part of the day. Got horse shod. James composting sheep manure at barn yard and putting it in the shed.

Wed 25 Picking most of the day. James hoeing corn and raspberries this afternoon. Drove to Kingston for Doctor.

Th 26 Picking all day. Strawberry festival at the Hall today. Dr. Paddock here today decided that Annie did not have scarlet fever.

Fri 27 Picking berries most of the day. James thinning out beets and carrots and hoeing.

Sat 28 Picking berries most of the day, James helping. Drove to St. John in the afternoon with berries.

Mon 30 Picking berries until noon. Drove to St. John in the afternoon with load of berries. James working at picking this afternoon.

Tues 31 Put 'Paris Gree' on potatoes today. Hauled black mud and put it under stable, James helping.

1888 August

Wed 1 Fitted up barn, preparing for haying. Got out and put together horse rake. Made arrangements to get use of mowing machine from E D B W.

Th 2 Commenced haying today – working at it with James all day. Did not get mowing machine.

Fri 3 Haying all day put in 4 loads, light shower this morning, fine afterwards.

Sat 4 Put in one load of hay this morning. Rain came on quite early and lasted most of the day. Julian and his boy Harold came in the 'Clifton' this morning.

Mon 6 Picking berries most of the day, James mowing all day. Dull and cloudy.

Tues 7 Another dull day. Could not do anything with hay – doing little jobs about house and wood house.

Wed 8 Cultivated beets, carrots and turnips this morning and commenced hoeing them. Weather cleared up this afternoon. Shook out hay before noon and raked and put it up this afternoon. Horse run away with hay rake this afternoon and broke both wheels and other parts, rendering it useless and unable to repair.

Th 9 Had a family gathering at the old homestead here today. All the brothers and sisters living were present and all sat together at the tea table. Those present were Eliza, Richard, David, Will, Agnes, James, Julian and myself. Quite a large number of their children were present. Their wives and husbands were all here except Agnes' husband and Julian's wife. Eliza and Agnes remained until Saturday morning.

Fri 10 Fine. Working all day in hay field (put in 4 loads) J S W repairing wheels of rake for me. Borrowed rake from E Waddell for 2 days.

Sat 11 Haying all day – took in five loads, did not leave any out.

Mon 13 Mowed some this morning. Rain came on about noon. Got horse rake wheels finished and tried today and painted them this afternoon.

Tues 14 Worked at fitting up horse rake and making shafts most of the day. Heavy mists and fog cleared off before night. Julian left for home today – Harold will remain longer.

Wed 15 Hay today – bad weather – rain came on about 4 o'clock – did not get any in – put up all that we mowed.

Th 16 Mowed little meadow today – dull again this afternoon.

Fri 17 Dull all day with rain in the afternoon. Clara drove to Kingston in the morning and brought Miss Carrie Frost down. Picnic from Hampton by boat here today. James hoeing beets & carrots.

Sat 18 Foggy this morning – cleared away before noon. Haying most of the day – got in 5 loads, did not mow much. Girls went to Norton by boat this evening.

Mon 20 Drove to Norton yesterday with family. Shower this morning. Haying in upper meadow all day – hauled one load. A P Wetmore went to St. John for me with berries.

Tues 21 Dull and threatening rain. Hauled in 3 loads hay this morning – did not mow any. Weeding strawberries.

Wed 22 Raining nearly all day. Doing little jobs about house and barn today. Repaired piece of lane fence that blew down today.

Th 23 Working at haying all day – Gilbert W helping. Not a good hay day. Finished mowing but did not get any in.

Fri 24 Dull and cloudy. Worked at getting weeds out of strawberries. Cultivated new plants and had Gilbert hoeing there this afternoon.

Sat 25 Finished haying today – put in 4 loads (got in 29 loads of hay altogether) James helping me.

Mon 27 Raining this forenoon. Working at new strawberry plants – rooted out all small crescent plants and finished hoeing there.

Tues 28 Set strawberry plants to fill blanks. Cultivated and commenced hoeing strawberry field in orchard. Gilbert helping me.

Wed 29 Hoeing strawberries all day with Gilbert W. Rain last night.

Th 30 Hoeing strawberries all day.

Fri 31 Finished hoeing field in orchard – cultivated upper field and commenced hoeing it.

1888 September

Sat 1 Raining all day heavily. Working in shop and wood house all day. Mrs. W H Flewelling died this evening.

Mon 3 Went to the blueberry plains at Springfield today with Clara and the children. Got 12 or 15 qts of berries. Harold W left for home this morning.

Tues 4 Finished hoeing strawberries today. James working at hoeing weeds out of raspberries. Attended funeral of Mrs. Flewelling this afternoon.

Wed 5 Ploughed out 2 rows of poor strawberries in orchard, cleared the ground and prepared it for re-setting. James finished hoeing raspberries.

Th 6 Set plants this forenoon. James wheeling weeds out of strawberries and weeding turnips. Ploughed old strawberry field this afternoon.

Fri 7 Working at harrowing and cleaning off old strawberry fields all day. James digging small field of potatoes above the lane this afternoon. Frost last night injured crops.

Sat 8 Dug out the rest of potato patch this forenoon had about 20 bushels – equal to 450 bush' per acre – no rotten ones.

Mon 10 Heavy rain Saturday night. Moved horse power today and set it up for sawing wood

Tues 11 Commenced sawing wood this morning. Harrowed land and sowed grass seed in the afternoon. Got roller from J S W and rolled the land after seeding. Picked blackberries.

Wed 12 Sawed wood all day. Gilbert W helping. Raining toward evening.

Th 13 Sawing wood all day. Gilbert helping. Dull and foggy.

Fri 14 Sawing wood all day. James helping me.

Sat 15 Sawing wood today. Did not quite finish. Clara and the children went to Norton this evening on the boat. S Foster of Kingston died last night.

Mon 17 Raining this morning. Finished sawing wood today and moved sawing machine. James helping this afternoon. Drove to Norton yesterday and brought the family home.

Tues 18 Mowed and raked buckwheat today. Commenced hauling out manure for strawberries. James helping me.

Wed 19 Mowed oats today. Composted privy manure. Hauled out top dressing for strawberries.

Th 20 Attended funeral of Mrs. Foster at Kingston this forenoon. Hauled top dressing this afternoon.

Fri 21 Worked at getting out top dressing for strawberries. Turned oats in the afternoon. E D B Wetmore died early this morning.

Sat 22 Moved hay off scaffolds in the barn this forenoon. Hauled out some top dressing. Raining towards night.

Mon 24 Fine. Finished hauling out manure for strawberries. Turned oats this afternoon. Picked over potatoes in cellar – found them rotting badly. Heavy rain Sat night and Sun morning.

Tues 25 Hauled in oats this afternoon – except small load back of hill.

Wed 26 Drove to St. John and returned today. Raining this afternoon and evening with very heavy east wind.

Th 27 Doing little jobs about house and barn. Turned buckwheat and hauled in last of oats this afternoon. Clara drove to Norton with Mr & Mrs. John Hayes and Mrs. Hoyt who were left here by steamer. Mrs. Frost returned with her.

Fri 28 Foggy and rain this afternoon. Moved horse power to barn preparing to thresh buckwheat.

Sat 29 Fitting up horsepower for threshing this morning. Too wet to thresh today. Turned buckwheat this afternoon. Picked up windfall apples. Mrs. Frost returned home by boat this evening.

1888 October

Mon 1 Hauled in part of my buckwheat and prepared for threshing this morning. James, Douglas and Frank helping.

Tues 2 Raining most of the day. Cleaned up buckwheat and brought it to the house – had about 20 bushels.

Wed 3 Raining again today. Attending to some school business this forenoon. Working about house and barn this afternoon.

Th 4 Threshed oats today, with some help as before. Put in the straw and cleaned up most of the oats before night.

Fri 5 Cleaned up after threshing and moved machine this forenoon – James helping me. Had about 36 bush' oats. Raining this afternoon.

Sat 6 Dull with rain this afternoon. Picked up some apples, dug a few potatoes. Doing other jobs about home.

Mon 8 Raining heavily nearly all day – held up towards evening. Repairing shoes most of the day. Drove to Kingston in the evening with Clara to attend a gathering at Justus Pickett's.

Tues 9 Dug a few potatoes to get some for pig feed – potatoes rotting badly. Worked at gathering in apples part of the day.

Wed 10 Gathering apples most of the day. Took a grist of buckwheat to Waddell's Mill today.

Th 11 Drove to Waddell's Mill for my flour this morning. Attended school meeting. Fitted up place for express wagon in little wood house this afternoon. Wet this afternoon.

Fri 12 Fine. Dug out some potatoes today. Pulled beans and tied them in bunches to dry. Cut table corn for feed.

Sat 13 Raining again today. Working about house and barn.

Mon 15 Digging potatoes nearly all day. Fine and cool.

Tues 16 Digging potatoes this forenoon. Drove to Kingston this afternoon to attend a meeting of the church corporation.

Wed 17 Raining nearly all day. Hauled in potatoes this morning. Doing some work in cellar. Put a new sill in under stable floor.

Th 18 Raining this forenoon, working in shop and barn. Cleared off this afternoon. Gathered some apples.

Fri 19 Digging potatoes all day – James helping me. Finished lower piece and commenced piece near barn.

Sat 20 Raining again most of the day. Working about barn, wood house and cellar.

Mon 22 Snow squalls this morning followed by rain, cleared before noon. Working about house in the morning. Dug and got in some potatoes during the day.

Tues 23 Finished digging potatoes today. Put in about 70 busl' altogether. Got in some apples before night, very cold and windy.

Wed 24 Finished gathering apples today. Picking beans this afternoon.

Th 25 Pulled and got in beets today. Commenced pulling carrots.

Fri 26 Pulled and got in the rest of the carrots today. Had about 4 barrels. Pulled and housed about 20 bush' turnips.

Sat 27 Put in the rest of the turnips today. Had about 80 busl' altogether – equal to 1200 bush' per acre. Annie Frost came from St. John tonight to stay until Monday.

Mon 29 Rained yesterday and half the day today – thunder shower this morning. Annie F went to St. John this morning. Working about cellar and house most of the day.

Tues 30 Taking ties out of raspberries and blackberries. Dug out 2 rows raspberries.

1888 November

Th 1 Working at barn water pipe this morning. Laid down three pieces of pipe taken out last winter and cleaned out pipe. Laying down raspberries this afternoon.

Fri 2 Laying down raspberries all day.

Sat 3 Finished putting down raspberries this morning. Laid down blackberries with poles. Hauled two loads of mud to barnyard from piles in pasture. Raining this afternoon and evening.

Mon 5 Hauled in two loads mud this morning. Hauled load of chips from Moss Glen this afternoon.

Tues 6 Working at some repairs about the house today. Foggy and misty all day.

Wed 7 Raining this morning. Worked at repairing back part of house most of the day. Put up potatoes, carrots and beets for market tomorrow.

Th 8 Drove to St. John and return today. Fine and cool.

Fri 9 Raining most of the day. Working about house. Cleaned rifles in the Armory this afternoon.

Sat 10 Raining all day. Doing little jobs about house and barn. Repairing children's shoes this afternoon.

Mon 12 Put in new sink drain today. Commenced banking house at the back.

Tues 13 Froze hard last night. Hauling out manure for raspberries all day.

Wed 14 Hauling manure for raspberries this forenoon. Taking rocks out of buckwheat field in upper meadow this afternoon – preparing to plough.

Th 15 Ploughing all day in upper meadow. Had J S W's horse. Thanksgiving Day. Service in the church last evening.

Fri 16 Ploughing again today. Finished stubble land and ploughed piece of sod back of barn.

Sat 17 Snow storm last night – about 3 inches fell. Working about house, wood house and barn. Did some work at school house this afternoon.

Mon 19 Cold yesterday and last night – milder and thawing today. Worked at banking house. Got some ashes from woodboat at the shore this afternoon. Raining this evening.

Tues 20 Hauled two loads ashes and spread them this morning. Finished banking house.

Wed 21 Cleared out wood house and commenced putting in wood. J Pickett and wife here to tea. Very cold last night and today.

Th 22 Finished housing wood today. River froze last night as far down as Kierstead's Point.

Fri 23 Put outside sashes on house today. Cleaned out hen house and put manure on rhubarb.

Sat 24 Commenced getting brush today – James helping me. Got horse shod this morning – got in three loads this afternoon.

Mon 26 Snow storm last night with strong NE wind turned to a cold rain today, taking off most of the snow. Working about barn, cellar and wood house.

Tues 27 Misty and wet today. Working about wood house and workshop. Snow not all thawed off yet. River clear of ice below Reids Point.

Wed 28 Dull and wet again today. Got cow 'Cherry' killed today, intending to take beef to market tomorrow.

Th 29 Drove to St. John today with beef and two barrels of potatoes. Found road heavy with mud.

Fri 30 Working about house today. Cut up one quarter of beef and put it in a box in the ice house to keep fresh. Weather mild, dull and wet.

1888 December

Sat 1 Working about barn this forenoon. Making road to haul brush this afternoon. Spread some brush this forenoon. Weather still dull and mild.

Mon 3 Light snow fell Sat. night. Hauling brush today, got in 4 loads – two of these for James.

Tues 4 Hauled brush all day – got in 6 loads. River skimmed over last night.

Wed 5 Spreading and hauling brush all day – James chopping. Got in 6 loads. River clear of ice below Reid's Point.

Th 6 Raining this forenoon. Doing little jobs about house and barn. Spread brush this afternoon.

Fri 7 Frozen again. Finished hauling brush today. Got in 8 loads.

Sat 8 Spread brush today and finished covering berries. Cut about one load near piece back of the hill.

Mon 10 Had pig butchered this forenoon. Hauled some manure for rhubarb this afternoon. Found my horse quite lame from sprain. River froze again last night.

Tues 11 Cut up pork today – pig weighed 224 lbs.

Wed 12 Snow and rain last night and this morning. Froze this afternoon and will make quite good sledding in the roads. Ice broken up again. Doing little jobs about house and barn today. Put pork in pickle. Cold tonight.

Th 13 Worked at repairing shoes most of the day. Cold and windy.

Fri 14 River froze over again last night. Very cold. Working about house and wood house most of the day.

Sat 15 Working about house, fitting up for winter. Crossing on foot today.

Mon 17 Raining today. Working about wood house most of the day. Splitting wood.

Tues 18 Hail, rain and sleet today following a sandy snow last night – colder and snowing again this evening. Repairing shoes and doing other jobs about the house.

Wed 19 Good sledding on the roads now. Drove to Waddell's with a grist of buckwheat this forenoon. Shut up cellar door this afternoon and banked with sawdust from ice house.

Th 20 Crossing ice with horse today. Finished banking cellar. Went to woods this afternoon to break road to wood lot.

Fri 21 Working about home this morning. Went to woods again this afternoon.

Sat 22 Drove to St. John and return today. Very cold and windy. James went with me.

Mon 24 Working about house most of the day. Drove to Waddell's in the afternoon and brought home grist of buckwheat. Got a few barrels of hulls also. Very mild.

Tues 25 Christmas. Drove to Kingston Church with James this forenoon. Raining some this evening.

Wed 26 Drove up to Justus Pickett's with Clara today. Returned about dark. Warm and mild.

Th 27 Fitted up sled and hauled out manure for the rest of the rhubarb field. Raining this afternoon and evening.

Fri 28 Heavy rain last night took off nearly all the snow and ice from the fields. Fine and mild today.

Sat 29 Working about barn nearly all day. Colder this evening.

Mon 31 Raining this morning – followed by damp snow. Splitting wood and doing other work about house and barn.

1889 January

Tues 1 Fine and mild. Working about house and shop fitting up for winter. Cow 'Rosie' had a calf last night.

Wed 2 Working about home. Cut and split up some soft wood.

Th 3 Colder. Killed young calf this morning. Skated to Rothesay this afternoon for box from Julian.

Fri 4 Working about barn and house this morning. Went to woods this afternoon to see about getting out some logs. James is to chop them for me.

Sat 5 Went to woods this morning and finished swamping road for firewood. Went out with horse this afternoon and commenced yarding out logs. Weather very mild.

Mon 7 Raining nearly all day. Repairing shoes most of the day.

Tues 8 Working at repairing children's shoes and other jobs about house. Wet this morning cleared off this afternoon. Got horse shod. Lecture on feeding stock and dairying this evening by Hon Mr Gilbert.

Wed 9 Getting out logs all day, still very mild.

Th 10 Heavy rain last night. Working about house and barn today.

Fri 11 Fine and mild. Working about house all day. Did some carpentry work in kitchen.

Sat 12 Fine and colder. Getting out logs most of the day. Baby boy born this evening.

Mon 14 Drove to Springfield yesterday with wagon and brought Eliza Gorham down with me. Drove up to Waddell's this morning, skated up the river as far as Norton this afternoon.

Tues 15 Working about home this morning. In the woods this afternoon starting out logs.

Wed 16 Drove up to Waddell's this morning. Walked to Moss Glen this afternoon.

Th 17 Heavy rain storm nearly all day. Working about house most of the day. Repairing shoes &c.

Fri 18 Fine and mild. Working about barn and wood house most of the day. Repairing bob sled.

Sat 19 Finished repairing sled today. Split up some wood. Cold this afternoon and evening.

Mon 21 Heifer 'Daffy' had a calf yesterday. Yarding out logs this forenoon – broke old sled raft and runner coming in at noon. Snow storm came on this forenoon and lasted all day, turned to rain towards evening but cleared off and froze in the night.

Tues 22 Repaired sled and took it to blacksmith shop. Had sheep butchered today for market. Snow made fair sledding on the roads.

Wed 23 Drove to St. John and return today. – brought home feed, oats and other supplies.

Th 24 Working about home this morning. Went to woods in the afternoon yarding out logs. Thawing and threatening rain.

Fri 25 Got horse shod this morning. Working at logs in the woods all day.

Sat 26 Working in woods this morning. Went to Rothesay this afternoon for load of cotton red meal.

Mon 28 Snow storm last night turned to rain and mist this morning and formed a crust. Went to woods this afternoon yarding logs.

Tues 29 Hauling out logs to shore this forenoon. Finished yarding logs this afternoon. Got 101 pieces altogether.

Wed 30 Hauling logs out to shore all day. Colder this evening

Th 31 10 below zero this morning. Hauling logs to shore all day. Snowing a little this afternoon and evening.

1889 February

Fri 1 Rain last night and this forenoon – turned to snow in the afternoon with colder weather. Working about house and barn all day.

Sat 2 About 3 inches more snow fell yesterday. Hauling out logs today.

Mon 4 Snowing this morning. Working about house and barn. Hauled lags this afternoon. Cold tonight.

Tues 5 Cow 'Spot' had a calf last night. Hauling logs all day. Threatening storm again.

Wed 6 Snow last night turned to rain and continued with heavy east wind all day. Working about barn nearly all day.

Th 7 Fine and cold. Working about home this morning. Hauling logs this afternoon, very icy on the road.

Fri 8 Hauling logs all day – cold.

Sat 9 Snowing all day. Fine this evening. Working about wood house and barn all day. School closed this week on account of scarlet fever.

Travel in winter. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Mon 11 Had baby baptized yesterday (Harvey Morris). Drove to Justus Pickett's today with Clara and the boys.

Tues 12 Snowing all day – working about house and barn. Heaviest snow storm of the season

Wed 13 Working about home this morning. Drove out to hard wood lot in the afternoon to break out road.

Th 14 Working about house and barn all day.

Fri 15 Drove to St. John and return today for load of supplies.

Sat 16 Working about home all day.

Mon 18 Raining yesterday – and again this evening. Not feeling well yesterday and today.

Tues 19 Feeling better today. Working about wood house and workshop. Ice company commenced work today tearing down the old mill – preparing to put up a building for ice.

Wed 20 Working about house and barn all day. James hauling yesterday and part of the day today with my horse.

Th 21 Commenced hauling fire wood today. James chopping. Got two small loads home.

Fri 22 Hauling all day – got 4 small loads.

Sat 23 Very cold and windy. Hauling again today. Got in 3 loads. 22 below zero tonight.

Mon 25 23 below zero yesterday morning – milder today. Snowing this forenoon. Went to work in the afternoon hauling out logs for rafters for ice house.

Tues 26 James hauling out stuff for ice house all day with my horse. Working about house and barn.

Wed 27 James hauling all day for ice house. Cutting up some wood and working about barn.

Th 28 Went to the woods this morning to cut some pieces required for ice house. Finished hauling out stuff for ice house at noon today. Getting wood this afternoon.

1889 March

Fri 1 Hauling firewood all day. James chopping for me.

Sat 2 Hauling wood all day.

Mon 4 Very warm and mild today – snow going off fast. Hauled one load of wood this morning. Hauling logs this afternoon.

Tues 5 Hauling wood today – got in three loads. Raining this afternoon and evening.

Wed 6 Raining most of the day. Working about barn and wood house.

Th 7 Worked at repairing boots most of the day. Dull and wet.

Fri 8 Went to woods this morning to clear snow from log yards. Hauling logs in the afternoon. Still wet and dull.

Sat 9 Drove to Rothesay for a load of feed and oats this forenoon. Haulng logs this afternoon. Damp snow falling all day.

Mon 11 Hauling logs all day – have yarded them at the brook as there is no snow to haul them further.

Tues 12 Hauling logs again.

Wed 13 Hauling logs this afternoon. Road from the shore mostly bare of snow. James cutting ice.

Th 14 Hauling ice all day. Finished tonight.

Fri 15 Working about house and barn today. Had calf and sheep killed for market.

Sat 16 Drove to St. John and return today with wagon. Drove on the ice to Torryburn going down but returned by the road.

Mon 18 Damp snow falling all day. Finished hauling logs out of the woods today. Rain yesterday. School commenced again today.

Tues 19 Snow last night made fair hauling for awhile today. Hauling logs out to shore until noon.

Wed 20 Hauling logs to shore all day. Hauled with wheels as the snow was all gone off the road.

Th 21 Hauling logs to shore all day – Finished this afternoon.

Fri 22 Hauled out two loads of wood to the pasture this forenoon. Tapped maple trees along the brook this afternoon.

Sat 23 Hauled two loads wood this forenoon. Working about barn and house this afternoon Mrs. Frost and Allan came this evening.

Mon 25 Hauled two loads of sawdust from Moss Glen today for ice house – hauled on wagon. Colder.

Tues 26 Hauled one load of sawdust this morning. Took banking from cellar door this afternoon.

Wed 27 Working about wood house and barn this morning. Went to woods this afternoon to cut rafting brackets. Sent butter and eggs to market this morning by express wagon.

Th 28 Working about home all day. Mending children's shoes &c. Raining all day.

Fri 29 Working about wood house and barn this morning. Cutting fencing in the afternoon.

Sat 30 Snowing this forenoon. Hauled rafting brackets from woods this afternoon on sled. Hauled one load of fencing down. Ice getting very poor – last crossing with horse here on Saturday last. Crossing on foot until Wednesday. Gondola Point ferry open yesterday but no crossing except with small boat.

1889 April

Mon 1 Snowed again last night. Hauled down another load of fencing this morning, and hauled home pile of wood left in the pasture. Went to Moss Glen this afternoon with cow.

Tues 2 Snowing this morning followed by cold rain. Working about wood house and barn this morning. Went to Moss Glen for sawdust with sled in the afternoon.

Wed 3 Hauled two loads of sawdust this forenoon with sled. Cutting fencing this afternoon.

Th 4 Hauled one load sawdust with sled this forenoon it having snowed last night and this morning. Hauled two loads of fencing this afternoon.

Fri 5 Cutting wood &c this forenoon. Helped Norman Puddington put up barn frame this afternoon. Went into Moss Glen with cow.

Sat 6 Working about house and barn all day. Gondola Point ferry started yesterday with scow. Ice still holds on here.

Mon 8 Repairing shoes this morning – cutting wood this afternoon. River clear of ice at Clifton ferry today.

Tues 9 Cutting wood nearly all day.

Wed 10 Cut down Tamarack trees near house today, working in shop this afternoon.

Th 11 Drove to St. John today and return for supplies

Fri 12 Working about house and barn all day. Finished cutting up tamarack trees.

Sat 13 Cleared up wood and brush from tamarack trees cut down plum trees in garden on account of black knot. Cut down two old apple trees in orchard.

Mon 15 Working in cellar part of the day enlarging well and putting in new box.

Tues 16 Hauled load of gravel from shore for cellar. Hauled banking away from cellar wall. Arranged with D Buckley to raft my logs and take them to Moss Glen. I having sold them to Mr Merritt.

Wed 17 Working about home this morning. Cut pea brush prepared ground and planted peas this afternoon.

Th 18 Fitted up wagon with long gear pole and hauled old frame timber to shore today to be carried in the raft of logs to Moss Glen. Went to woods for another load of bracket poles.

Fri 19 Good Friday. Working about barn and house most of the day – went to church in the afternoon.

Sat 20 James drove my horse to St. John today for load of feed & Steamer Clifton commenced regular trips today. Putting up and repairing fences most of the day.

Mon 22 Working about house and barn most of the day. Repairing farm wagon this afternoon.

Tues 23 Working at repairing farm wagon and others jobs about the barn and house.

Wed 24 Repairing stone drag most of the day. Repaired hen yard fence and put away sleds this afternoon. Got a lot of feed by boat this evening.

Th 25 Hauled stone from lot back of barn and harrowed it preparing to put in oats. Dr. Paddock called today on business connected with life insurance policy.

Fri 26 Prepared land for oats, hauled out top dressing from hen house, sowed and harrowed in oats today. Cultivated rhubarb. James working for me this afternoon. Took up raspberries and hoed rhubarb.

Sat 27 Raining most of the day. Helped move old scow at shore today by boat landing. Put up gaps in fence to let sheep and cows out to pasture this afternoon.

Mon 29 Got load of hay from Richard this forenoon (640 lbs) Smith Pickett sheared sheep for me this afternoon. James commenced taking off brush for me this afternoon. Raining again this evening.

Tues 30 Raining nearly all day. Working about house and barn all day.

1889 May

Wed 1 Putting up and repairing pasture fence most of the day. Got load of chemical fertilizer as follows; 800 lbs potatoes, 300 lbs grass & grain, 100 fruit & vines & 100 lbs complete "A".

Th 2 Got 2 loads hay from estate of D P Wetmore about 1500 lbs today. Preparing fertilizer for sowing in the meadow. James taking off brush.

The horse-powered sawing machine. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Fri 3 Sowed grass and grain fertilizer in upper meadow this morning. James finished taking off brush. Plants looking very poor. Commenced planting potatoes on side hill.

Sat 4 Sent first lot of rhubarb to market today with butter and eggs. Planting potatoes all day alone.

Mon 6 Finished planting potatoes in side hill today. Repairing fences this morning. Cultivated and ploughed land back of side hill for oats.

Tues 7 Put in oats back of hill today and seeded land to grass. Preparing to set raspberry plants.

Wed 8 Put roller over oat land this morning. Hauled out manure and ploughed lot for carrots near barn. Clara and the boys went to Norton by steamer tonight. Sold cow 'Rosie' to Geo H Flewelling today.

Th 9 Prepared rows and sowed carrots and beet seed today using chemical manure. Got 2 pigs from John Day.

Fri 10 Commenced setting raspberry plants in strawberry lot on side hill.

Sat 11 Setting raspberry plants all day. Got 8 plum trees today

Mon 13 Drove to Norton yesterday for Clara and the children. Finished setting raspberry plants today. Harrowed land in upper meadow for potatoes. Getting seed potatoes ready for planting.

Tues 14 Raining this morning but did not last long. Got a barrel of seed potatoes from D P W. Sowed fertilizer broad cast on potato ground. Commenced cultivating spot at NE end of house for strawberries. Pulled rhubarb.

Wed 15 Planted potatoes in upper meadow today (about ½ acre) Had team and potato planter from D P W. Used commercial manure with the seed in drill.

Th 16 Hauled from Moss Glen this morning, the lumber sawn from the old frame. (two loads). Hauled manure on lot for strawberries, after cultivating the land.

Fri 17 Finished hauling manure on strawberry ground. Ploughed, harrowed and furrowed part of it for setting plants. Shoveled manure from under the stable today. Commenced setting plants in the afternoon. Justus Pickett and wife and Miss Carrie Frost came this evening to remain over night.

Sat 18 Setting strawberry plants all day. Finished the piece. Very dry.

Mon 20 Pulled rhubarb this morning. Cultivated and hoed peas. Cultivated some strawberries and commenced hoeing them. Harrowed small potato field.

Tues 21 Got horse shod today. Doing little jobs about the place. Preparing to go to city.

Wed 22 Drove to St. John and return today. Lewis and David went with me.

Th 23 Preparing ground for corn and beans today. Doing other little jobs about the place.

Fri 24 Planted beans today. Pulled rhubarb for market tomorrow. Raining this evening.

Sat 25 Commenced tying up raspberry plants today.

Mon 27 James hoeing strawberries for me. Repairing pasture fence this forenoon. Staking and tying up raspberries this afternoon. Planted table corn today. Cultivated some strawberries.

Tues 28 Raining heavily this morning. Working at workshop nearly all day.

Wed 29 Setting plants to fill blanks in strawberry rows back of hill this forenoon. Tying up raspberry plants this afternoon.

Th 30 Repairing pasture fence this morning. Cultivated strawberry field in orchard. James hoeing for me. Gilbert helping this afternoon. Tying up raspberries this afternoon.

Fri 31 James and Gilbert hoeing today. Finished cultivating and hoeing strawberries and commenced raspberries. Got small load of hay from D P W. Harrowed potatoes in upper meadow this afternoon.

1889 June

Sat 1 Gilbert hoeing raspberries for me today. Finished tying raspberries and cultivated more of them. Doing other little jobs about the place.

Mon 3 Raining this morning, and wet and foggy all day. Repairing wagon wheel and doing other jobs about shop. Drove to Waddell's in the afternoon.

Tues 4 Raining all day. Working at repairing harness and shoes most of the day.

Wed 5 Working at staking and tying up blackberries most of the day. Wet and foggy all day.

Th 6 Finished tying up blackberries today. Gilbert hoeing raspberries for me this afternoon.

Fri 7 Gilbert hoeing and taking off weeds today. Getting ground ready for fodder corn. Cultivated raspberries above lane. Fine this afternoon.

Sat 8 Getting off rhubarb this morning. Working at corn land this forenoon. In workshop this afternoon. Raining most of the day – heavily this afternoon.

Mon 10 Weather still wet and foggy. Furrowed and hauled out manure for fodder corn today. Drove to Waddell's on school business this evening. Rain this evening.

Tues 11 Taking off weeds in raspberries this morning. Planted fodder corn this afternoon Mr Hill called with horse today.

Wed 12 Hired Thos E Flewelling today. Cleared stone off new strawberry field. Cultivated and hoed it. Finished hoeing raspberries. James at work this afternoon. Cultivated beets and carrots. Cut blossoms from new plants.

Trinity Church, built in 1789. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Th 13 Hoed blackberries, carrots and beets today. Cultivated potatoes on side hill and set Thos hoeing them. Put some fertilizer on them.

Fri 14 Thos hoeing potatoes in side hill. Cultivated potato field in upper meadow today. Put fertilizer on part of them. Cultivated ground for turnips in upper meadow.

Sat 15 Prepared and sowed turnip ground today. Thos hoeing potatoes in upper meadow. Shower towards evening.

Mon 17 Showering today. Thos hoed a few rows potatoes but found it too wet for hoe. Cut up some wood. Got tomato and cabbage plants and set them. Getting manure out of sheep shed this afternoon.

Tues 18 Put fertilizer on potatoes in upper meadow this forenoon. Thos hoeing them. Wheeling weeds out of strawberry and raspberry fields this afternoon.

Wed 19 Thomas finished hoeing potatoes today and commenced hoeing strawberries second time. Wheeled off some stone and cultivated strawberries today. Found a few ripe ones.

Th 20 Raining this morning. Put black mud under stable. Thos not here this morning. Hoeing strawberries in the afternoon.

Fri 21 Hoeing strawberries all day.

Sat 22 Hoeing strawberries nearly all day. Commenced thinning out carrot and beets today. Thos hoeing strawberries.

Mon 24 Thinning out carrots and beets all day. Thos hoeing strawberries.

Tues 25 Finished thinning out beets & carrots. Cultivating raspberries, table corn, beans and new strawberry plants. Thos hoeing.

Wed 26 Hauled load of chips from Moss Glen this forenoon. Washing wagon and cleaning harness this afternoon. Thos hoeing raspberries &c.

Th 27 Went to Kingston today with Clara and the children to attend Centennial Service at the church.

Fri 28 Cleaned out wood house and fitted up table for berry pickers. Had fruit picked for market this afternoon.

Sat 29 Worked all day at helping to gravel the new wharf at the shore.

1889 July

Mon 1 Cut roads through grass to berry fields this morning. Fitted up ice tub for creamer. Hauled some old sawdust to manure shed this afternoon. J Pickett and Rev D I W here to dinner.

Tues 2 Cut up some wood this morning. Cultivated beets and carrots. Thomas hoeing. Cleaned out privy vault this afternoon and hauled it to the barn.

Wed 3 Attended to my business with school trustees this morning. Had 3 lambs killed for market. Cultivated fodder corn and potatoes in side hill. Thos hoeing.

Th 4 Wet. Drove to city and return.

Fri 5 Raining part of the forenoon. Working in shop. Preparing to make new farm wagon all day.

Sat 6 Working at wagon all day. Thos hoeing potatoes

Mon 8 Cultivated turnips and potatoes in upper meadow. Thos hoed and thinned out turnip. Drove to St. John in the evening with berries.

Tues 9 Returned from city this forenoon. Working at wagon in the afternoon. Thos hoeing potatoes.

Wed 10 Working at wagon all day. Justus Pickett and party here today. S S teachers meeting in place today.

Th 11 Took wagon to blacksmith today. Picked gooseberries. Thos finished hoeing potatoes.

Fri 12 Raining this morning. Cleaned rifles in armory. Painted new wagon wheels this afternoon.

Sat 13 Painted horse rake this morning. Picking berries and doing other small jobs this afternoon. Mrs. Frost came from St. John this afternoon to remain until Monday.

Mon 15 Painted wagon wheels and horse rake again this forenoon. Weeding strawberries this afternoon. Thos working at weeds. Mrs. Frost went home in the boat.

Tues 16 Drove to Moss Glen for some iron this morning. Confirmation Service in our church this forenoon by Bishop Kingston. Weeding strawberries this afternoon.

Wed 17 Weeding strawberries this forenoon. Got new wagon from blacksmith this afternoon and painted it.

Th 18 Mowed grass on the roadside this morning. Cultivated new strawberry plants and had Thos hoe them this afternoon. Painted wagon again.

Fri 19 Thos hoeing and weeding. Hauled in hay from road side this afternoon. Pulled and prepared beets for market.

Sat 20 Finished weeding strawberries today. Raining this afternoon. Working about barn and wood house. Sarah Pickett here this evening.

Mon 22 Dull and wet today. Raining this morning. Picked raspberries. Repairing hay rack. Got mowing machine this evening by boat.

Tues 23 Finished repairing hay rack. Made some crates for potatoes. Drove to Moss Glen this forenoon for E H Merritt.

Wed 24 Dug 8 bush' potatoes today for market. Pulled and prepared some carrots and beets. Had two lambs killed.

Th 25 Went to city today with load of stuff for market.

Fri 26 Commenced haying today. Cut odd spots near the house with scythe. Girls went to Norton on boat this evening.

Sat 27 Fitted up mowing machine this forenoon and tried it, but did not cut much grass. Put in hay in the afternoon (one load). Harold Wetmore came tonight in boat from St. John to stay.

Mon 29 Not a good hay day – rain in the afternoon. Mowed a little with scythe this morning. Put it up in crock after dinner, before rain came on. Thinning out carrots this afternoon.

Tues 30 Foggy all day. Putting wood, grinding scythes and picking raspberries.

Wed 31 Foggy. Working about wood house and barn fitting up for haying. Mowed some with machine this afternoon.

1889 August

Th 1 Foggy this morning, mowed some towards noon. Got it all up in crock, very green. Got in one small load. Fog came up again this afternoon. Pulled and sent two crates beets to market.

Fri 2 Rained heavily last night. Foggy today. Opened hay in the afternoon and put it up again. Working at weeds most of the day.

Sat 3 Foggy all day. Did some work at school room this morning. Drove to Kingston in the afternoon with Clara to see Dr. Paddock. Called at Leonard Crawford's.

Mon 5 Haying today. Fine in the morning – dull in the afternoon, with rain towards evening. Put in two loads.

Tues 6 Fine. Haying all day. Put in 4 small loads.

Wed 7 Dull this morning, mowed part of the forenoon. Fine in the afternoon – put in three loads.

Th 8 Cloudy morning – threatening showers all day. Mowed side hill. Put in two loads – heavy showers towards evening.

Fri 9 Haying all day – put in two loads, not a good day.

Sat 10 Dull and foggy rain towards evening. Working about barn and wood house. Cultivated new strawberry plants. Thos weeding strawberries part of the day. Pulled beets for market.

Mon 12 Haying all day – put in 3 loads.

Tues 13 Haying. Cut little meadow. Got in only one load as a shower just after noon wet the hay and made it unfit to get in.

Wed 14 Fine this forenoon – dull in the afternoon with a little rain towards evening. Mowed some in the upper meadow. Hauled in six loads today. Purdy helping us. Richard came with his horse to help in the afternoon.

Th 15 Rain and mist all day. Working about wood house in the afternoon.

Fri 16 Dull and wet. Repairing pasture fence this morning. Helped put barbed wire on NE line fence. Picking berries in the afternoon.

Sat 17 Repairing boots this morning. Came out fine in the afternoon. Opened hay – dried it and put it up again.

Mon 19 Haying in upper meadow. Got in three loads. Mrs. E H Merritt died yesterday.

Tues 20 Fine hay day. Put in 5 loads. Purdy helping yesterday afternoon and today.

Wed 21 Finished haying today by cutting orchard. Hauled in three loads. Maggie Frost came by boat today from Norton. Put in 36 loads of hay altogether.

Th 22 Raining part of forenoon. Put some barbed wire on pasture fence to keep cattle out of turnips. Working about wood house and barn. Took mowing machine apart and stored it away.

Fri 23 Preparing to go to market tomorrow. Dug potatoes and killed chickens.

Sat 24 Drove to St. John with load of stuff for market. Maggie Frost went home in boat.

Mon 26 Drove to Norton with Clara and the boys yesterday. Repairing pasture fence this forenoon. Mowed a part of my oats today.

Tues 27 Repairing fence again this morning. Hoeing strawberries, picked blackberries this afternoon.

Wed 28 Hoeing strawberries most of the day. Turned oats.

Th 29 Move hay off scaffold in barn to make room for oats. Put in oats this afternoon – 2 loads.

Fri 30 Hoeing and weeding strawberries most of the day. Picked blackberries this afternoon.

Sat 31 Clara and the children went to the Reach today for a picnic. Cultivated some strawberries this morning. Mowed the rest of my oats today. Weeding and hoeing.

1889 September

Mon 2 Hoeing, weeding and cultivating strawberries this morning. Hauled in the last of my oats this afternoon. Very dry weather and hot.

Tues 3 Weeding and hoeing this forenoon. Picked blackberries this afternoon. Pulled and prepared a barrel of beets for market.

Wed 4 Weeding and hoeing all day.

Th 5 Working at strawberries nearly all day.

Fri 6 Working at weeds most of the day. Picked blackberries this afternoon. Harold W started for home to day – leaves St. John tomorrow evening.

Sat 7 Hoeing and weeding strawberries most of the day.

Mon 9 Weeding and hoeing all day.

Tues 10 Working at weeds in strawberries.

Wed 11 Working at strawberries all day. Finished hoeing and weeding them.

Th 12 Pulled out three rows raspberry plants near rhubarb lot. Hauled off canes and stakes and put cultivator through the ground. Ploughed out a small piece of ground.

Fri 13 Working at weeds in raspberry field most of the day. Got horse power and saw frame today & intending to saw wood next week.

Sat 14 Set up trees for sawing today. Doing little jobs about the place. Clara and the children drove to Kingston and spent the day at J Pickett's.

Mon 16 Foggy and wet. Spent most of the day fitting up machine for sawing wood.

Tues 17 Putting machine in order for sawing. Foggy with shower.

Wed 18 Commenced sawing wood today – working alone. Got D P W's horse in exchange for mine for sawing.

Th 19 Raining this morning. Drove to Justus Pickett's to get a lamb from him. Raining most of the afternoon. Splitting wood and doing other work about the place.

Fri 20 Sawing wood all day with J S W's horse. Went to blacksmith in the afternoon to get a shaft repaired.

Sat 21 Raining this morning and evening. Sawing most of the day with J S W's horse.

Mon 23 Finished sawing wood today. Hauled a load of poles from off the hill for Mr Fisher's Ice House.

Tues 24 Repairing pasture fence this morning. Cleaning up about sawing machine. Dug rest of potatoes on side hill.

Wed 25 Splitting wood nearly all day.

Th 26 Splitting wood most of the day.

Fri 27 Raining most of the day. Cutting up wood in wood house and piling over wood outside.

Sat 28 Dug some potatoes in upper meadow today. Got in load of pumpkins and doing other small jobs about the place.

Mon 30 Heavy frost last night. Working about wood part of the day. Hauled out some manure for top dressing on strawberries. Raining part of the day.

1889 October

Tues 1 Raining all day with heavy southerly wind. Working about house and barn. Attended to some school business.

Wed 2 Drove to St. John and return today. Took the girls down with me and left them there to return by boat on Saturday. Heavy thunder and rain this afternoon.

Th 3 Dug some potatoes today. Gathered part of the apples.

Fri 4 Hauled out some manure for strawberries. Finished gathering apples.

Sat 5 Doing little jobs about the place most of the day. Hauled out one load of manure for strawberries.

Mon 7 Hauled out some manure this forenoon – raining this afternoon – working about barn. Bought from H Flewelling the cow I sold him last spring.

Tues 8 Finished hauling out manure for strawberries today.

Wed 9 Digging potatoes nearly all day.

Th 10 Attended Annual School Meeting this forenoon. Raining part of the day.

Fri 11 Digging and getting in potatoes all day. Silver Dollars yield much better than the early varieties.

Sat 12 Working at potatoes all day.

Mon 14 Working at potatoes all day. Cold and dull.

Tues 15 Finished digging potatoes today. Had not quite 60 busl' from piece in upper meadow a very poor crop.

Wed 16 Pulling and getting in beets today did not finish.

Th 17 Finished beets and commenced pulling carrots today. Had about 80 busl' beets. Moved horse power to barn today, preparing to thresh oats.

Fri 18 Threshed oats today. Had D P W's horse for threshing O W W and Geo H F helping me.

Sat 19 Cleaned up oats today, had about 25 bush'.

Mon 21 Pulled out raspberry plants above lane and ploughed land. Commenced ploughing old strawberry field in orchard. Miss C Frost came in boat this evening.

Tues 22 John Frost and Genevieve Wetmore married at the church this morning. Drove to J Pickett's this evening with Miss Frost and Clara.

Wed 23 Light snow this morning. Ploughing most of the day.

Th 24 Very cold this morning. Put up sitting room stove. Cleaned out water pipe at barn. Pulled carrots this afternoon. James had horse today.

Fri 25 Ploughing this morning. Finished pulling carrots. Went to Moss Glen this afternoon for load of wood chips.

Sat 26 Rain last night – muddy today. Did some ploughing. Hauled out two loads of manure and ploughed it under.

Mon 28 Heavy rain last night – damp today. Got stone lifter today to get out some rocks, preparing for ploughing.

Tues 29 Ploughing part of the day. Raining in the afternoon. Cleaning out rooms in the NE end of the house.

Wed 30 Cold rain and snow most of the day. Working at clearing out and cleaning rooms in other part of house.

Th 31 Working about house part of the day. Pulled and got in part of my turnips today. James hauled two loads of sawdust.

1889 November

Fri 1 Finished getting in turnips today had a very poor crop.

Sat 2 Ploughing and getting out stone all day. Sent off a few bbls of turnips and beets to market by boat. Got lot of feed this evening by boat.

Mon 4 Got a load of shingles from Moss Glen this morning and went to work putting new roof on porch and west side of kitchen in the other part of the house. Marion C's [Crawford] baby died this morning

Tues 5 Finished shingling roof today.

Wed 6 Did some ploughing this morning. Attended funeral in the afternoon.

Th 7 Ploughing all day – finished potato ground in upper meadow.

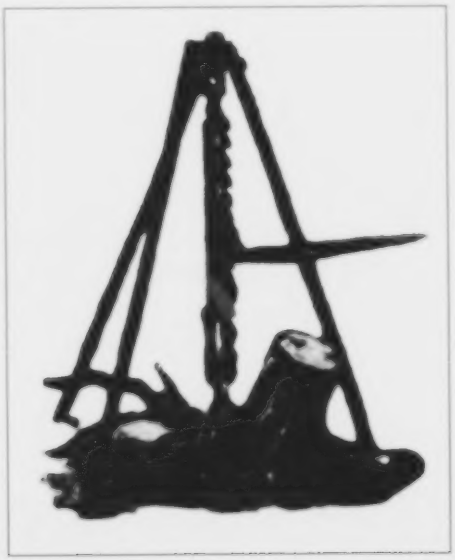
Fri 8 Cleaned out privy vault today and hauled manure to barnyard.

Sat 9 Putting wood in wood house this forenoon. Raining part of the day. S S Carmichael occupied rooms rented from us in the NE end of the house.

Mon 11 Working about house this morning. Taking out rocks and stones back of side hill preparing to plough.

Tues 12 Ploughing back of side hill most of the day.

Wed 13 Finished ploughing back of side hill. Commenced taking out stone in upper meadow preparing to plough a piece of sod. Hurt my leg with stone lifter and was obliged to give up work this afternoon.



Stump and stone lifter. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Th 14 Raining most of the day. Doing nothing except little jobs about house and barn as my knee was too lame for active work.

Fri 15 Leg somewhat better. Worked at banking house most of the day. Very cold and windy.

Sat 16 Quite lame again today. Doing nothing except those about house and barn.

Mon 18 Fine my lame knee still so troublesome that I can do nothing except jobs about house and barn. Had Dr. Paddock in today. James commenced cutting brush for me this afternoon. Very cold this morning.

Tues 19 Leg no better. Kept the house all day. James cutting brush this morning.

Wed 20 Doing little jobs about the house all day as I was not fit to go out. Raining.

Th 21 Leg not much better – did not go out all day. Purdy had my horse to go to the Reach. Raining part of the day.

Fri 22 Leg getting better. Working about wood house and barn and workshop all day. Raining most of the day.

Sat 23 Attended Annual Meeting of the Agr. Society at the Hall today. Lameness almost entirely gone.

Mon 25 Laid down raspberries this morning. Fitted up wagon and commenced hauling brush this afternoon.

Tues 26 Hauling brush today. James helping part of the day. Got in 7 loads.

Wed 27 Getting in brush all day. Hauled 7 loads. James helping.

Th 28 Snowing last night and today – turned to rain to sleet in the evening. Working about house and barn.

Fri 29 Raining some this forenoon. Hauled brush in sled in the afternoon. Had a lamb killed today.

Sat 30 Cow 'Rosie' had a calf last night. Spreading and hauling brush today. Finished covering berries.

1889 December

Mon 2 Had pigs killed today – J S W helping me. weighed 155 and 165 lbs.

Tues 3 Cold and windy Cutting up and taking care of pork today.

Wed 4 Very cold last night 5 below zero. Working about house and barn all day. Got horse shod.

Th 5 River froze last night. Got in a little more brush to finish covering berries. Went to Waddell's Mill for load of hulls and some buckwheat flour. Strong north wind tonight. Put pork in pickle.

Fri 6 Raining part of the day, colder towards evening. Working about house, barn and workshop.

Sat 7 Worked at banking house most of the day. Justus Pickett and wife here this evening.

Mon 9 Raining nearly all day. Working at different jobs about house and barn. Ice broken up in river.

Tues 10 Fine and mild. Hauling out manure for rhubarb. Attended Lodge meeting this evening.

Wed 11 Hauling out manure for rhubarb, raspberries and gooseberries. Raining again this evening.

Th 12 Raining this evening. Working about house and barn all day.

Fri 13 Hauling out manure for blackberries this morning. Snowing this afternoon.

Sat 14 Finished banking cellar – did not have sawdust enough, and sawed brush for part of it. River froze solid last night.

Mon 16 Light snow last night – not enough for sledding. Ice safe for crossing on foot. Moved rocks in upper meadow today. Busy about barns.

Tues 17 Working about barn all day making stable tight and warm for winter. Mild and fine.

Wed 18 Got a quarter beef from G H F and cut it up this morning. Working about stable and barn.

Th 19 Working at stable and manure shed. Mail carrier crossed ice with horse here today. Raining this evening.

Fri 20 Snow all taken off by rain last night – ice too weak for crossing with horse – mild and warm today. Cut old canes out of blackberries and laid them down. Put window frames in horse shed at church this afternoon.

Sat 21 Mild this morning – colder toward night. Working about house and barn all day. Put covering over slop hole for winter.

Mon 23 About 4 inches of snow fell last night and this morning. Ice unfit to cross with a horse yet. Working about barn and wood house, put away wagons for winter.

Tues 24 Went to St. John and return today. Crossed the ice and walked to Rothesay, as it is not strong enough yet to carry a horse.

Wed 25 Christmas Day. Drove to Kingston Church in the forenoon. Snow followed by rain during the day. Cleared off towards evening.

Th 26 Working about house most of the day, fitting up for winter. Damp snow storm this evening.

Fri 27 Snowing part of the day and heavy wind. Worked most of the day in the house repairing boots.

Sat 28 Cold last night and today. Ice safe for crossing with horse. Fitting up sled to take cow to St. John next week.

Mon 30 Rain last night and this morning took off nearly all the snow and rendered ice unsafe for horse. Suffering from heavy cold.

Tues 31 Cold and windy. Not able to do much but work about barn and house. Ice safe today.

1890 January

Wed 1 Drove to St. John with cow today, sold to R Finley. Hauled her on a sled to Torryburn taking wagon behind the sled. Led cow behind the wagon from there to city. Strong south wind in the afternoon.

Th 2 Confined to the house all day with increased cold from exposure yesterday. Party of young men from Norton came last evening to attend a dance in Hall.

Fri 3 Sick all day.

Sat 4 Called Dr. Paddock in today.

Mon 6 James looking after stock for me.

Tues 7 New milk cow at barn today. (Topsy)

Wed 8 Allan drove Minnie to her school yesterday and returned today.

Th 9 James taken sick. Got Geo H F to look after stock.

Fri 10 Doctor called third time. Not improving any.

Sat 11 Very cold last night and today.

Mon 13 Another new milk cow yesterday (Daffy) George gives up looking after stock and James takes it again.

Tues 14 Still confined to the house. Doctor here.

Wed 15 James looking after stock again.

Th 16 Snow and sleet today makes good sledding at least.

Fri 17 Doctor here today. Also T W Kierstead agreed to take his medicines. Letters from Westfield today.

Sat 18 Feeling better today – with some appetite. James went to Rothesay for load of feed and oats.

Mon 20 Mrs. Frost and Allan drove from Norton and returned yesterday. Rain storm again last night and today ended in a freeze at night. Feeling somewhat stronger and better today. Doctor called Sunday.

Tues 21 Traveling remains good on roads and ice yet. Gaining strength very slowly. Dr. called again today.

Wed 22 Nothing to report. Gaining very slowly. Filed and set buck saw.

Th 23 Not improving much. Did some work repairing boots.

Fri 24 Gaining only very slowly

Sat 25 Fine this morning. Snowing this evening.

Mon 27 James went to St. John with my horse. Sent down two bbls beets, butter and eggs.

Tues 28 Very cold – feeling much stronger today but did not go out on account of the cold.

Wed 29 Got out this afternoon – cut some wood in the wood house – walked to the barn.

Th 30 Feeling stronger and better every day. Working outside all day. Looked after stock at the barn today.

Fri 31 Working about barn – most of the day. Stored express wagon in D P W's upper barn and fitted up scaffold in barn for hay cutter.

1890 February

Sat 1 Working about house, barn and wood house all day. Find I am getting stronger every day.

Mon 3 Raining most of the day. Working about barn and wood house.

Tues 4 Gaining strength slowly. Fitted up barrel for creamer in the porch.

Wed 5 Raining again today. Cutting up wood in the wood house and doing the jobs about the place.

Th 6 Worked at repairing harness most of the day, very icy on the roads.

Fri 7 Cut down old apple tree in front of house for firewood. Had sheep killed for market this afternoon.

Sat 8 A P Wetmore drove my horse to St. John and return today. Sent mutton, carrots, butter and eggs. Heavy south wind with snow and sleet in the morning – turned to rain and rained heavily with strong wind all the afternoon.

Mon 10 Working about barn and wood house all day.

Tues 11 Worked at repairing and fitting up sled for hauling wood.

Wed 12 Hauled in two loads wood today from lot of cordwood left in the woods since last spring. Snowing this afternoon.

Th 13 Hauled three loads of wood today.

Fri 14 Hauling wood all day – got in four loads. Thawing this afternoon and threatening rain.

Sat 15 Rain last night took off what little snow was on the roads. Thawing all day. Working wood house and barn. Drove to Waddell's this afternoon.

Mon 17 Working about home this morning. Went to woods in the afternoon to swamp road to wood lot.

Tues 18 Snowing all day. Working about house and wood house.

Wed 19 Snowing this forenoon. Hauling wood in the afternoon. About 5 inches of snow fell. Cold tonight.

Th 20 Snowing nearly all day. Heaviest snow storm of the winter. Hauling wood in the forenoon.

Fri 21 James hauling with my horse today. Working at repairing small sled.

Sat 22 Hauling wood today. Got in the last of the dry cordwood. Very cold last night.

Mon 24 Working about house this morning. Preparing for getting ice in the afternoon – secured cakes of ice ready cut that were left by Mr Fisher's men after his house was full.

Tues 25 Hauling ice all day – James helping me.

Wed 26 Raining today – turned to sleet and snow in the evening. Working about house, barn and wood house.

Th 27 Finished hauling and storing ice today. Got in 48 cakes. D P W commenced work today on an ice house on W A Pitt's shore.

Fri 28 Cut and hauled load of wood this forenoon. Preparing to go to market with load tomorrow. Mild thawing weather taking off snow and making roads bare.

1890 March

Sat 1 Raining all day. Hauled load of hay for James this morning from D P W's lower barn. Fitted up place for calf in hog house this afternoon.

Mon 3 Snow today followed by rain and sleet. Hauled load of lumber from Rothesay for D P Wetmore's ice house this afternoon.

Tues 4 Went to work for D P W on ice house this afternoon. Let my horse go to haul and be driven by one of his men. Allan Frost came down today with his team to haul for ice house.

Wed 5 Working at ice house.

Th 6 Cow 'snowball' had a calf today.

Fri 7 Rain and sleet last night. Drove to Rothesay this morning for load of oats and feed. Worked at ice house in the afternoon.

Sat 8 Working at ice house. Allan went home this evening taking Clara and the baby to remain until Monday.

Mon 10 working at ice house all this week.

Tues 11 working at ice house all this week.

Wed 12 working at ice house all this week.

Th 13 working at ice house all this week. Raining this afternoon

Fri 14 Heifer 'lightfoot' had calf today.

Sat 15 Rain and snow today – did not go to ice house. Went to Moss Glen with cow.

Mon 17 Snow this morning – did not go to work at ice house until afternoon.

Tues 18 [No entry]

Wed 19 [No entry]

Th 20 Working at ice house.

Fri 21 Worked at ice house this morning – came home at noon on account of rain.

Sat 22 Working at ice house. Allan went home with his horses this evening. He has been driving my horse with one of his all this week as his horse was lame.

Mon 24 [No entry]

Tues 25 Wilmot Langstroth came to board this week while working at the ice house. Raining today did not work this afternoon.

Clifton from across the Kennebecasis River. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Wed 26 [No entry]

Th 27 Hauling sawdust from Rothesay for ice house

Fri 28 " "

Sat 29 Working at the building today – light snow

Mon 31 Working all day at ice house.

1890 April

Tues 1 [No entry]

Wed 2 [No entry]

Th 3 Working at ice house.

Fri 4 Good Friday. Busy about house – raining in the afternoon. The last lot of ice was put in the house today. Allan went home today.

Sat 5 Damp snow falling all day. Working about wood house. Got horse shod.

Mon 7 Working at ice house all day putting on roofing.

Tues 8 Worked at ice house this forenoon – came home at noon. Working about home in afternoon.

Wed 9 Took sawdust from cellar banking and put it in ice house today. Horses crossed ice for the last time today for the season.

Th 10 Working about barn most of the day. Rain last night.

Fri 11 Damp snow this forenoon. Crossed the ice this morning to make some purchases at store on the other side. Commenced cutting firewood along the brook today.

Sat 12 Crossed the ice again this morning. Working at cutting wood along the brook all day Gondola Point ferry open today.

Mon 14 Raining part of the day. Moved some hay in the barn to make room for express wagon and put in flooring. Ice wasting very fast in the river.

Tues 15 Had calf killed today. Cut some wood along the brook this afternoon.

Wed 16 Made boxes to send veal and butter to market. Twitching out firewood along the brook this morning.

Th 17 Drove to Rothesay this afternoon with hind quarter of veal, butter and eggs to send to market. Brought home a load of feed and oats. Crossed Gondola Point ferry.

Fri 18 Working about barn this morning. Chopping wood along the brook this afternoon Clifton ferry opened today.

Sat 19 Light snow last night. Hauled down part of the wood from the brook this afternoon and started the rest out. Cutting some soft wood on the hill in the pasture this afternoon.

Mon 21 Cutting wood on the hill all day.

Tues 22 Chopping soft wood all day.

Wed 23 Cutting wood again this forenoon – went to Moss Glen this afternoon with cow.

Th 24 Cutting soft wood all day on the hill. River all clear of ice. Very dry spring.

Fri 25 Went out to hard wood lot today and worked all day at chopping and splitting cord wood.

Sat 26 Cutting cordwood again today. Intend to have it in the woods dry to haul next winter. Steamer 'Clifton' commenced running today from Hampton to St. John.

Mon 28 Snow Saturday evening and yesterday. Working about work shop and wood house all day.

Tues 29 Working about home. Preparing to go to city tomorrow.

Wed 30 Went to St. John in steamer today. Took potatoes, butter & eggs. Sold cow 'daffy' to A P Wetmore today.

1890 May

Th 1 Working about wood house and barn. Took up blk. berries and raspberries. Pulled out some raspberry plants.

Fri 2 Working at fitting up hen yard to shut up the hens and doing other jobs about the house.

Sat 3 Hauled poles and canes away from blackberry and raspberry field – prepared ground and planted a few potatoes. Took cow 'snowball' to Moss Glen today.

Mon 5 Raining nearly all day. Working at repairing shoes nearly all day.

Tues 6 Foggy today with rains again in the afternoon. Working about wood house and barn. Hauled out some manure for planting peas. Getting some fowls ready for market.

Wed 7 Trimmed up apple trees and hauled away brush. Cut out some trees. Took brush off berries in the afternoon.

Th 8 Sheared sheep today. Planted peas in the afternoon. Raining in the afternoon and evening.

Fri 9 Taking brush off berries today. Went to Moss Glen in the afternoon with cow.

Sat 10 Raining this forenoon. Sheared sheep today for O W Wetmore. Took off some brush in the afternoon.

Mon 12 Mare had a colt yesterday afternoon. Repairing and putting up fences this afternoon Mrs. Maber died this morning. Finished taking off brush.

Tues 13 Repairing fences this morning. Hauled some brush this afternoon. Got pig from N. Puddington.

Wed 14 Raining this forenoon – working in the wood house. Fitted up calf yard this afternoon.

Th 15 Raining this morning and again towards evening. Got a load of sawdust from Moss Glen for my ice this forenoon. Hauled manure on ground for setting raspberry plants this afternoon.

Fri 16 Dull and foggy – Hauled some manure, prepared ground and set out raspberry plants today. Set 200 plants obtained from George Pickett. Cultivated rhubarb today.

Sat 17 Fine. Hauled out hen manure and spread in oat land. Harrowed and prepared ground and sowed oat and grass seed on top of side hill and in strip along lane.

Mon 19 Pulled and sent crate of rhubarb to market this morning – first of the season. Prepared ground and sowed oat and grass seed in upper meadow today.

Tues 20 Raining most of the day. Received an order from business for 3000 strawberry plants and took up part of them this afternoon. Pulled rhubarb towards evening.

Wed 21 Worked all day at taking up and packing plants, preparing to send them by train tomorrow.

Th 22 Planted a few more potatoes in orchard. Prepared ground and planted beets, carrots and other garden seeds.

Fri 23 Sowed oats and grass seed in orchard today. Cultivated, harrowed and prepared ground near barn for setting strawberry plants.

Sat 24 Hauled away some brush to be burned. Attended shooting match on the range this afternoon. O W Wetmore came for the day.

Mon 26 Pulled rhubarb this morning. Hauled out manure on ground for setting strawberry plants.

Tues 27 Repairing back fence of pasture this morning. Ploughed and harrowed ground for strawberries. Made a few furrows and commenced setting plants. Raining the latter part of the afternoon.

Wed 28 Sent off 5 crates rhubarb this morning. Raining all day. Making crates most of the day. D P Wetmore started for Boston today for medical treatment.

Th 29 Got a load of sawdust from Moss Glen. Setting strawberry plants.

Fri 30 Setting strawberry plants most of the day. Pulled rhubarb for market.

Sat 31 Finished setting strawberry plants. Cultivated new raspberry plants. Cultivated strawberries near house and commenced hoeing them. Sowed 'complete "A" fertilizer and ashes on them.

1890 June

Mon 2 Hoeing strawberries most of the day.

Tues 3 Clara with Elsie and baby went to St. John today to return by boat tomorrow. Hoeing strawberries.

Wed 4 Finished hoeing strawberries. Commenced preparing ground for corn and beans.

Th 5 Hauled out manure for corn and planted beans, squash & pumpkin. Cultivated ground for potatoes.

Fri 6 Planting potatoes on ground near barn.

Sat 7 Raining this forenoon and dull all day. Planted table corn. Put in a few more potatoes in the afternoon.

Mon 9 Rain this morning. Planting potatoes most of the day.

Tues 10 Finished planting potatoes preparing two rows for turnips. Cultivated gooseberries peas, and early potatoes.

Wed 11 Rain this morning, staking, thinning out and tying up raspberries.

Th 12 Hoeing gooseberries, early potatoes and peas. Cultivated and commenced hoeing raspberries.

Fri 13 Hoeing raspberries all day.

Sat 14 Rain last night, too wet today for hoeing. Got pea brush and set out part of it. Went to Kingston in the afternoon to funeral of Eliza Gorham who died on Thursday.

Mon 16 Finished hoeing raspberries. Preparing ground for buckwheat. Mrs. John Frost died this evening at Norton.

Tues 17 Working at buckwheat ground back of barn. Hauled out manure and harrowed it in.

Wed 18 Funeral for Genevieve Frost at Clifton Church this forenoon. A number of people who attended the funeral took dinner with us.

Th 19 Hauled out manure for buckwheat ground back of side hill. Sowed and harrowed in buckwheat back of barn. Rain last night.

Fri 20 Prepared ground and put in buckwheat back of hill today. Rolled the land after harrowing it in.

Sat 21 Cultivated new strawberry plants, beets, carrots, and potatoes in orchard commenced hoeing new strawberries. Got load of straw from O W W.

Mon 23 Went to St. John and return today by steamer. Rain this evening.

Tues 24 Raining most of the forenoon. Working about wood house and shop most of the day. Fitted up camp bedstead.

Wed 25 Raining all day. Repairing children's shoes and cutting wood.

Th 26 Raining again today. Working at armory and about wood house and house preparing to go to camp at Moncton next week.

Fri 27 Wet and dull – pulling weeds out of strawberries in the afternoon.

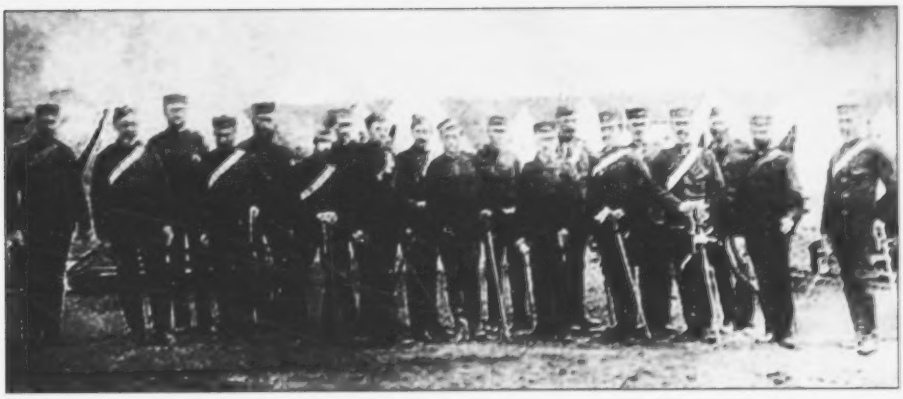
Sat 28 Worked at pulling weeds nearly all day. Horatio Pickett here today. Preparing to start for camp at Moncton Monday morning.

Mon 30 Started for Moncton this morning about 6:30 o'clock – took steamer to Rothesay.

1890 July

Fri 11 Returned from camp at Moncton today, arriving home about 4 P.M.

Sat 12 Spent nearly all day taking over the property from men and arranging it in armory.



New Brunswick Rangers attending a redoubt, Moncton, July 1, 1890. The photo includes Major E. Arnold, Major Baird, Dr. White, Major Charles Fairweather, Quarter Master Murray, Sam Langstroth, four cadet instructors, Capt. Howard Wetmore, Lieut. Robert Morrison, Lieut. Goodwin, Capt. Spooner, Lieut. O. W. Wetmore, Capt. Tingley, unknown, Dr. Wilson and Capt. Harper. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Mon 14 Commenced picking strawberries today. Pulling weeds in strawberries near the house.

Tues 15 Pulling weeds most of the day. Cleaned out wood house for berries in the afternoon. Raining part of the afternoon and evening.

Wed 16 Cut grass about the house and berry fields. Raining part of the afternoon. Commenced making crates, thinned out carrots and beets, pulled some weeds in strawberries.

Th 17 Finished weeding strawberries. Edwin and Erns Frost came from St. John by boat and returned today.

Fri 18 Hoeing in new raspberry plants.

Sat 19 Hoeing raspberries. Picking berries. Went to St. John this afternoon with berries had J S Wetmore's horse.

Mon 21 Hoeing in raspberries this forenoon. Picking berries this afternoon.

Tues 22 Finished hoeing and cleaning weed out of raspberries today. Picking berries again this afternoon.

Wed 23 Cleaning weeds out of garden patch and thinning out turnips. Picking berries. Sarah Pickett here today.

Th 24 Hoed corn and beans. Mowed out road to lane gate today. Hauled it to barn in the afternoon.

Fri 25 Dull and wet part of the day. Raised sill under stable with jack screw and put a support under it. Picked berries this afternoon. Rain this evening.

Sat 26 Foggy all day. Rain this afternoon and evening. Picking berries. Hauled load straw from D P W's barn. Drove to Upper Clifton this afternoon with school bills.

Mon 28 Mowed grass in front of house today – Cultivated new strawberry plants near barn.

Tues 29 Cut grass by the roadside today. Cured and hauled in hay in front of house.

Wed 30 Hoed new strawberry plants near barn this morning. Put mowing machine together and fitted it up for use this afternoon. Dull and foggy.

Th 31 Dull this morning and threatening rain. Fitted up barn to receive hay. Fine in the afternoon. Got horse fork for unloading hay today through Agricultural Society – Dr. S B Allan and W Watson Allan with their wives here today. Preparing to start mowing machine tomorrow if fine.

1890 August

Fri 1 Haying all day. Fine. Put horse rake together in the afternoon and used it.

Sat 2 Working at hay all day – put in 5 small loads. Cut lot back of orchard.

Mon 4 Foggy this morning – cleared off before noon. Mowed a small lot of grass. Put in 2 small loads.

Tues 5 Foggy again. Put up horse hay fork today. Fine in the afternoon. Put in what hay I had cut.

Wed 6 Foggy and misty all day. Hauled in some fire wood today – small lot of hardwood from bridge.

Th 7 Fine hay day – cut little meadow today. Annie Frost came up in the boat from St. John for the day.

Fri 8 Haying all day. cut side hill. Put in 3 loads.

Sat 9 Cut meadow back of hill today. Put in three loads.

Mon 11 Rain this forenoon. Working about barn and wood house. Fine in the afternoon. Mowed grass next raspberries and rhubarb near the road.

Tues 12 Opened hay this forenoon. rain came on and lasted until evening wetting hay. Picked raspberries.

Wed 13 Fine. Working at hay all day. Got in two loads. Rain came on the latter part of the afternoon and could not haul more.

Th 14 Misty and foggy all day. Working about barn and wood house this forenoon. Picked raspberries. Pulling weeds in strawberries.

Fri 15 Dull and foggy. Weeding and hoeing this morning. Cultivated strawberries this afternoon. Mowed some light grass above lane

Sat 16 Cultivated new strawberry plants this morning. Working at hay all day. Put in 6 loads (small)

Mon 18 Raining this forenoon. Working about barn and house. Picked raspberries. Mowed grass under apple trees near barn this afternoon.

Tues 19 Haying all day. Cured and got in hay cut yesterday. 3 loads.

Wed 20 Raining this forenoon. Working about barn and woodhouse. Did some hoeing in the afternoon.

Th 21 Haying all day in upper meadow, did not haul any in. Mowed some this evening in lot above lane.

Fri 22 Hauled in two loads hay this morning from upper meadow, as it threatened rain. Rain came in about 8 o'clock and lasted all the forenoon. Thinned out blackberries this afternoon.

Sat 23 Raining most of the day. Working about wood house and shop. Picked raspberries.

Mon 25 Dull this morning cleared off about noon. Worked at drying hay cut on Thursday. Put in one load hauled in Friday morning to dry. Mowed some in upper meadow this afternoon.

Tues 26 Working at hay all day – put in two loads. Mowed the rest of the clover lot above lane this evening.

Wed 27 Put in load of hay from upper meadow this morning. Rain came on before noon and lasted until evening with strong east wind.

Th 28 Dull all day with showers. Hoeing and weeding strawberries, mowed some with scythe this evening.

Fri 29 Haying all day – cut some in upper meadow. Put in 3 loads.

Sat 30 Cut last of upper meadow today and put it in. Put in three loads altogether.

1890 September

Mon 1 Finished haying today by cutting and getting in hay under apple trees in orchard. Put in 1 load – 35 loads altogether.

Tues 2 Hoeing and weeding berries. Cut lot of oats above lane. Had wool washed today.

Wed 3 Finished cleaning out strawberries. Cut part of oats in orchard. Got load of straw from D P W's barn.

Th 4 Clara and Harvey went to Norton in Steamer. Hauled out manure for strawberries and cultivated them.

Fri 5 Dull and foggy with some rain. Dressing strawberries part of the day. Picked raspberries.

Sat 6 Fine. Mowed balance of oats in orchard – put in oats mowed – Tues & Wed. Finished dressing berries.

Mon 8 Cleaning weeds out of raspberries most of day. Put in last of oats from orchard. Elsie and Annie went to Kingston to stay a few days.

Tues 9 Raining most of the day, working about barn and wood house. Picked raspberries and blackberries.

Wed 10 Cleaned out privy vault and hauled manure to barn. Drove to Kingston this evening for girls.

Th 11 Mowed oats on side hill this morning. Went on excursion to Hampton with school children.

Fri 12 Raining most of the day. Repairing shoes. Picked raspberries and blackberries this afternoon.

Sat 13 Dull and foggy with showers again today. Worked at cutting wood most of the day.

Mon 15 Fine yesterday, dull and showery again today. Worked at cutting wood most of the day.

Tues 16 Wet all day. Cutting wood and doing other small jobs about wood house and shop.

Wed 17 Raining nearly all day. Working at wood.

Th 18 Wet and foggy with showers. Working about shop and wood house most of the day. Gathered New Brunswick apples this afternoon.

Fri 19 Fine. Mowed buckwheat this morning. Turned oats and buckwheat cut before. Mowed part of oats in upper meadow this afternoon.

Sat 20 Foggy all day. Drove to St. John and return. Finished cutting buckwheat before I left.

Mon 22 Cut the balance of oats in upper meadow this morning. Put in oats from side hill and upper meadow this afternoon. James helping me in the afternoon.

Tues 23 Raking up buckwheat this morning. Hauled in the last load of oats this afternoon. Showery towards evening.

Wed 24 Bunching buckwheat this morning. Hauled and threshed one load of buckwheat this afternoon. Hauled in another load and left in wagon.

Th 25 Working at buckwheat all day.

Fri 26 Finished threshing and cleaned up buckwheat this afternoon. Had about 18 bushels altogether.

Sat 27 Rain this morning and misty all day. Cut poles and stakes and built a temporary fence around newly seeded ground in upper meadow intending to let the cow feed in the rest of the meadow and plow it up this fall.

Mon 29 Girls went to St. John today with Mrs. J Pickett to attend the exhibition – will remain until Wednesday. Hoeing and weeding. Picked up windfall apples.

Tues 30 Took 9 bush' buckwheat to Waddell's Mill this morning. Went to Moss Glen this afternoon for load of chips.

1890 October

Wed 1 Digging potatoes all day. Put in 7 bush'.

Th 2 Finished digging potatoes today. Had only about 20 bushels in all – a great many rotten.

Fri 3 Cleaned up barn yard and put dry earth under stable. Hauled several loads of old dry wood from about the place and stored it in ice house.

Sat 4 Pulled weeds out of new strawberry field near barn.

Mon 6 Raining forenoon – working about barn and wood house. Picked up windfall apples. Sawing wood.

Tues 7 Sawing wood part of the day. Gathering apples in the afternoon. Cold.

Wed 8 Gathering apples most of the day. Light shower in the afternoon.

Th 9 Attended school meeting this forenoon. Gathering apples this afternoon.

Fri 10 Hauling soft wood from hill in pasture. Finished gathering apples this afternoon. Had about 10 bbls.

Sat 11 Finished hauling in wood this forenoon. Hauled horse power and threshing machine from Richard's and set it up in my barn. Rain last night.

Mon 13 Preparing for threshing oats tomorrow. Took mowing machine to pieces and stored it in wood house.

Tues 14 Threshed oats today. James and Gilbert helping me.

Wed 15 Raining part of the day. Cleared up about barn after threshing. Had about 30 bush' oats. Hauled thresher and fanning mill to D P W's lower barn.

Th 16 Pulled beets and carrots today – Sawed some wood. Cutting canes out of raspberries.

Fri 17 Finished cutting canes out of raspberries – sawing wood – rain this afternoon.

Sat 18 Dull and wet most of the day. Splitting and sawing wood. Cut canes out of blackberries.

Mon 20 Raining nearly all day – sawing wood.

Tues 21 Composted manure from sheep shed and hauled it out on rhubarb lot.

Wed 22 Commenced ploughing buckwheat stubble.

Th 23 Ploughing all day. Stubble and potato ground.

Fri 24 Commenced ploughing sod – took out rock near blackberries. Hauled load of wood from pasture for Mr Carmichael.

Sat 25 Bought 25 bbls ashes from Mr Fisher and hauled them from the public wharf to upper meadow where I spread them in newly seeded field. Did some ploughing towards evening.

Mon 27 Drove to Norton today with Clara – brought Emma home with us. Brought Mr. Frost's horse to use with mine for ploughing.

Tues 28 Rain last night and this morning. Commenced ploughing with two horses.

Wed 29 Taking out rocks in upper meadow this morning, commenced ploughing there this morning. Got load of feed from St. John by boat.

Th 30 Ploughing all day. Very heavy SW wind.

Fri 31 Ploughing all day.

1890 November

Sat 1 Ploughing all day

Mon 3 Finished plowing in upper meadow today.

Tues 4 Hauling stone today – moved large pile of stone from ploughed field in upper meadow.

Wed 5 Hauling rocks and stone this forenoon. Commenced ploughing small field above lane this afternoon.

Th 6 Thanksgiving Day. Ploughing this afternoon. Pulled last of turnips and cabbage this afternoon. Hauled stone from ploughed field in upper meadow.

Fri 7 Hauling stone all day – moved pile of rocks and small stone from field in upper meadow.

Sat 8 Hauled some stone and finished ploughing today.

Mon 10 Drove to Norton and return today with Emma. Took Mr Frost's horse home. Elsie and Annie went along.

Tues 11 James had horse this forenoon. Working about barn. Hauled two loads of sawdust from Moss Glen this afternoon.

Wed 12 Hauled load of sawdust this morning. Working about barn in the afternoon.

Th 13 Hauled load of hen manure out and spread in upper meadow. Hauled load of wood for Mr Carmichael. Hauled fence poles from upper meadow for blackberries. Hauled manure from slop hole and put it on rhubarb.

Fri 14 Working about manure shed and barn this morning. Putting wood in wood house this afternoon.

Sat 15 Finished putting in wood. Laid down raspberries this afternoon.

Mon 17 Commenced getting brush for strawberries. Cutting in the forenoon – hauled two loads in the afternoon.

Tues 18 Snow and rain. Got ram from R W Wetmore, working about barn and house.

Wed 19 Wet today – repairing children's shoes most of the day.

Th 20 Banking up back of house, hen house and wood house and doing other work about the place.

Fri 21 Working about barn and wood house this morning. Cutting brush in the afternoon.

Sat 22 Hauled three loads of brush this morning, rain came on before noon. Cleaning and oiling harness in the afternoon.

Mon 24 Hauling brush this forenoon, got in three loads.

Tues 25 Spreading and cutting brush this afternoon. Snow and rain this morning.

Wed 26 Finished getting brush this morning. Preparing to drive to city tomorrow.

Th 27 Drove to St. John and return today.

Fri 28 Working about barn and house all day. Cold.

Sat 29 James had horse today hauling sawdust and wood. Working about barn and wood house most of the day. Put up stall in stable and separated mare and colt.

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Receipt for pork pickle

2oz saltpeter, 4 qts salt, 1 qt molasses, 2 lbs sugar, 4 gals water.

1890 December

Mon 1 Had pig killed today – Gilbert W helping me. Pig weighed 237 lbs. Cold this evening.

Tues 2 Very cold today. Cut up and took care of pork. Put outside sashes on house.

Wed 3 17 below zero this morning. River froze over. Working about wood house most of the day. Moved wood from ice house to wood house.

Th 4 Snow last night followed by rain this morning. Put pork in pickle today. Working about wood house and barn.

Fri 5 Banking around cellar wall to day. Got load of sawdust from Moss Glen this afternoon.

Sat 6 Worked at banking this forenoon, did not have enough sawdust to finish. Hauled out manure and spread on rhubarb lot this afternoon.

Mon 8 Light snow and sleet yesterday, made fair sledding on the roads. Making runners for hind sled of my double bobsleds. Fine.

Tues 9 Horses crossed ice today. Working at sled – finished and took it to blacksmith shop for shoeing.

Wed 10 Got in sheep today and fixed up shed for them. Light snow.

Th 11 Fitted up outside sashes for hen house, and did other work inside. More snow.

Fri 12 Very cold and windy. Worked at making hard sleds for the boys most of the day.

Sat 13 Working about wood house and hen house most of the day. Very cold.

Mon 15 James hauling with horse today. Working about shop, wood house and barn.

Tues 16 Drove to St. John and return today with Clara, very good traveling.

Wed 17 Working at boys sleds most of the day. James hauling with horse.

Th 18 Raining most of the day. Working in shop this forenoon. Drove to Waddell's this afternoon for load of hulls. Took boys sleds to J Wetmore's to be shod.

Fri 19 Very cold and windy. Working about barn, wood house and shop.

Sat 20 Got another load of hulls from grist mill – brought home sleds from blacksmith shop. Working in shop.

Mon 22 Working about shop, barn and wood house. Rain and thaw today.

Tues 23 Making skate woods for boys skates – and working about barn.

Wed 24 Finished and ground skates – colder.

Th 25 Christmas. Drove to Kingston Church – very cold.

Fri 26 Working about wood house, shop and barn.

Sat 27 Snow last night followed by rain with heavy south wind today. Cutting wood and doing other work about wood house and barn.

Mon 29 Snowing most of the day. Working about wood house and barn and fitting up sleds James using horse.

Tues 30 Working about barn. Very cold and windy.

Wed 31 Drove to St. John and return today. Brought out load of oats and feed. Very cold day.

The original Wetmore farmhouse overlooking the Kennebecasis River at Clifton. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

1891 January

Th 1 Mild and fine. Working about home most of the day. Went for a little drive in the afternoon.

Fri 2 Raining all day. Working about wood house, shop and barn.

Sat 3 A P Wetmore had my horse today to drive to St. John. Fitting up sleds in the morning. Went out in the afternoon to cut road to kiln wood cut for me by S Carmichael and James W.

Mon 5 Broke road to woods today and hauled in two small loads of wood.

Tues 6 Breaking roads and hauling wood – snowing most of the day.

Wed 7 Snowing again today. Finished hauling dry cord wood from hard wood lot.

Th 8 Swamping out road to kiln wood this morning. Broke out road with horse this afternoon and started out a few small loads.

Fri 9 Commenced getting the season's supply of hard wood from lot near sugar camp – James chopping and helping to load.

Sat 10 Hauled 4 loads of wood today.

Mon 12 Heavy rain and thaw all day. Working about home. Drove to Waddell's in the forenoon.

Tues 13 Fine and cool, too icy to haul wood. Working about wood house and barn. Preparing Hall for Masonic Lodge meeting in the afternoon. Lodge meeting in the evening.

Wed 14 Working about home. Drove to Cosman's Grist Mill in the afternoon to get some buckwheat ground.

Th 15 Light snow last night. Hauling wood today. Broke new sled runner in the afternoon and replaced it with one of the old ones.

Fri 16 Hauling wood today, got in three loads.

Sat 17 Hauling wood all day, got in 4 loads. Very cold this morning.

Mon 19 Snow, sleet and cold rain yesterday. Freezing today. Everything covered with sheet of ice. Repairing boots today.

Tues 20 Working about wood house and barn all day. Snow this afternoon.

Wed 21 Hauling wood all day.

Th 22 Hauling wood this forenoon. Rain in the afternoon. Repairing sled.

Fri 23 Heavy rain and thaw last night took off nearly all the snow. Repairing harness today.

Sat 24 A P Wetmore had my horse to St. John today. Getting wood in wood house. Prepared place to pile kiln wood near shore. Very mild and fine.

Mon 26 Snowing yesterday. Finished hauling hard wood today, commenced hauling kiln wood to shore.

Tues 27 Hauling kiln wood today. Had cow 'spot' and ram killed for market.

Wed 28 Drove to St. John and return today, took beef, mutton and beets to market. Brought home flour, feed and oats.

Th 29 Hauling wood most of the day.

Fri 30 Snowing lightly all day, hauled three loads wood. Found that my horse was lame in the fore shoulder and unfit to work.

Sat 31 Making roads to kiln wood this morning. Working about wood house in the afternoon – repairing sled.

1891 February

Mon 2 Edwin V Wetmore and wife of St. John came yesterday afternoon on their way home to Kingston and remained until this morning. Snowing forenoon. Repairing boots and working about wood house. Horse not fit to work.

Tues 3 Working about wood house and barn. Snow in the afternoon turned to rain towards evening.

Wed 4 Got horse from O W Wetmore for hauling. Hauling wood all day.

Th 5 Hauling wood all day.

Fri 6 Snow this morning. Commenced getting ice. Hauled in 4 loads before noon. Damp snow in the afternoon. Stopped my hauling, drove to Waddell's in the afternoon on school business.

Sat 7 Finished hauling ice this morning – put in 27 cakes.

Mon 9 Looking after packing ice this morning – hauling wood rest of the day.

Tues 10 Snow and rain this forenoon. Hauling in the afternoon.

Wed 11 [No entry]

Th 12 [No entry]

Fri 13 hauling Kiln wood.

Sat 14 Hauling this forenoon. Allan and Minnie Frost came about noon. Did not haul in the afternoon. Very cold day and evening.

Mon 16 Hauling all day. Mild and thawing. Allan and Minnie returned home yesterday.

Tues 17 /Hauling wood all day.

Wed 18 Snowing. Did not haul, working about wood house. Returned the horse that I had from O W W as mine seems fit for work again.

Th 19 Drove out to Midlands today to see E P Fullerton about my horse. Very cold.

Fri 20 Hauling wood today with my horse.

Sat 21 Cold drizzling rain all day, working about wood house and house.

Mon 23 Hauling wood. Allan Frost here.

Tues 24 Hauling all day. Mild and thawing. Political meeting at the Hall tonight. Col Domville and I D Hazen were the speakers.

Wed 25 Hauling part of the day. Working about wood house.

Th 26 Raining nearly all day. Working about the wood house.

Fri 27 Snowing this forenoon. Hauling wood in the afternoon.

Sat 28 Drove to St. John and return today. Brought home load of oats, feed and meal.

1891 March

Mon 2 Hauling wood all day.

Tues 3 Hauling today. Got in the last of the kiln wood I had cut.

Wed 4 Working about house all day.

Th 5 Snowing with strong north wind all day. General Election for Dominion parliament today. Foster elected in Kings over Domville by a majority of 54.

Fri 6 Snow squalls today and drifting. Cutting wood. Drove to soft wood lot this afternoon to break road. James and Sidney cutting some wood.

Sat 7 Shoveling snow to break road to wood lot this morning, hauling wood this afternoon.

Mon 9 Cutting soft wood for firewood and fencing today in lot where kiln wood had been cut. Cow 'Lightfoot' had calf last night.

Tues 10 Raining nearly all day. Working about house and wood house.

Wed 11 Cutting firewood and fencing this morning. Drove up to Justus Pickett's this afternoon with Clara and two of the boys who will stay there for a few days.

Th 12 Hauling out kiln wood all day.

Fri 13 Hauling wood this morning – got out last of kiln wood – about 43 cords. Raining this afternoon and evening.

Sat 14 Working about wood house and barn this morning. Chopping on the hill this afternoon.

Mon 16 Hauled three loads of firewood and fencing today from soft wood lot. Snow storm this forenoon.

Tues 17 Snowing again this forenoon. Cutting wood on the hill this afternoon.

Wed 18 Hauled one load soft wood – broke cross bars of shafts, and repaired them this afternoon. Snowing again this evening.

Th 19 Working about workshop and wood house today. Cold and dull.

Fri 20 Drove to city today for feed and flour. Found road quite good from yesterday's snow.

Sat 21 Chopping soft wood this forenoon. Raining this afternoon.

Mon 23 Chopping on the hill today – tapped maple trees this afternoon.

Tues 24 Hauled soft wood and fencing this morning. Chopping this afternoon. Got stock for boxes from D P W.

Wed 25 Hauling this morning. Attended auction sale at D P W's this afternoon.

Th 26 Hauled this forenoon. Chopping in the afternoon.

Fri 27 Good Friday. Hauled two loads this forenoon. Drove to Kingston in the afternoon for Dr. Paddock for Lewis who has an attack of Neuralgia. Got bag of flour from Cosman's Mill.

Sat 28 Working about shop and wood house this morning. Drove out to hard wood lot this afternoon and left tools for chopping cord wood.

Mon 30 Hauled two loads sawdust for ice house from Moss Glen today in wagon.

Tues 31 Hauled two more loads sawdust today.

1891 April

Wed 1 Hauled out manure from hen house today and spread it on little meadow.

Th 2 Cleaned out privy vault (partially) and spread manure in little meadow. Opened cellar door and hauled away sawdust.

Fri 3 Drove to Kingston this morning to see Dr. Paddock. Snowing this afternoon. Put hams in pickle again.

Sat 4 Working in wood house this morning. Cutting fencing on the hill this afternoon.

Mon 6 Cutting wood at wood house most of the day.

Tues 7 Hauled down fencing this morning. Cutting wood in the afternoon. Horse crossed ice for last time today.

Wed 8 Cutting wood and making drag runners today. Ice unsafe for crossing on foot.

Th 9 Cleaned up barn yard and hauling out manure for top dressing on little meadow. Went to Moss Glen with cow.

Fri 10 Fitted up frame and put outside sashes from house over a few hills of rhubarb.

Sat 11 Hauling top dressing from barn yard to little meadow.

Mon 13 Cutting wood this morning. Got some feed for cows from O W W. Got roller from J S W intending to fit it up for use this summer. Gondola Point ferry open today.

Tues 14 Working about wood house and hen house today

Wed 15 Damp snow falling all day, working in wood house and work shop all day. O W W left home today for a situation in Boston.

Th 16 Hauled some fencing along meadow fence for repairs on sled this morning. Hauled away banking from cellar wall. Working in wood house.

Fri 17 Cutting wood at door most of the day. Clifton ferry clear of ice today.

Sat 18 Cutting up wood at door all day – rain this evening.

Mon 20 Working about home most of the day. Sowed some grass seed in old strawberry field.

Tues 21 Killed some fowls for market this morning. Working about barn and house today.

Wed 22 Drove to St. John and return today.

Th 23 Cold rain all day. Worked most of the day at repairing children's shoes.

Fri 24 Got load of fertilizer today. Made new stone drag.

Sat 25 Went to woods this morning to bring in axe and beetle left out there. Sowed some grass seed. Harrowed little meadow and sowed new seed on it. Steamer 'Clifton' commenced running for season today.

Mon 27 Hauled and spread manure for peas and carrots, beets and early potatoes.

Tues 28 Finished hauling manure and ploughed it in. Went to Moss Glen with cow.

Wed 29 Prepared ground and planted peas and carrot seed. Mr Frost and Gilbert came down in the boat this morning and remained all day. Mixed some fertilizer.

Th 30 Put in some small seeds, beets and onions, parsnips, sage & lettuce. Cultivated rhubarb.

1891 May

Fri 1 Hauled out manure for raspberries and gooseberries. Hoed rhubarb. Cultivated raspberries and took them up. Cleaned up barnyard.

Sat 2 Put up fences to let sheep and cattle go out. Sheared sheep. Planted a few potatoes. Commenced taking off brush from strawberries. David P W and wife came home from Boston today.

Mon 4 Took off the rest of the brush from the strawberries today.

Tues 5 Harrowed buckwheat stubble this morning, went to Moss Glen this afternoon with cow.

Wed 6 Harrowing all day in oat land in upper meadow.

Th 7 Finished harrowing out land this morning. Mixing fertilizer in the afternoon

Fri 8 Got seed sower from D P W and another horse from Burt. Flewelling and sowed oats in upper meadow this morning. Sowed fertilizer in the afternoon.

Sat 9 Working at repairing roller most of the day. Clara and the children drove to Norton today.

Mon 11 Rolled oat land and piece of grass adjoining, got two loads straw from D P W's strawberry field.

Tues 12 Ploughed ground for potatoes above rhubarb lot. Pulled rhubarb – rain this evening.

Wed 13 Raining all day. Working about house and barn. Drove to Waddell's in the afternoon with school bills and left carpet stock at weavers.

Th 14 Cut pea brush this morning. Commenced planting potatoes in the afternoon.

Fri 15 Planting potatoes all day.

Sat 16 Finished planting potatoes on hill above rhubarb. Prepared ground and planted beans in old orchard.

Mon 18 Raining all day yesterday and this afternoon again. Spent most of the day composting manure in shed.

Tues 19 Hauled out manure on land for strawberries and ploughed it today.

Wed 20 Commenced setting plants today. Hauled a few loads of manure on land for beets, and carrots in the afternoon.

Th 21 Finished setting strawberry plants today. Got 200 lbs Vernon plants from Edwin Flewelling and set them. Hauled and spread some manure and ploughed land for vegetables.

Fri 22 Mixed fertilizer. Harrowed newly ploughed land. Rain came on before noon. Working about barn and house in the afternoon.

Sat 23 Prepared rows for sowing beets, carrots & beans. Got seed drill from D P W. Sowed fertilizer and got in most of the seed.

Mon 25 Finished sowing beets and beans. Cultivated strawberries and commenced hoeing them.

Tues 26 Hoeing strawberries.

Wed 27 Hoeing strawberries.

Th 28 [No entry]

Fri 29 Finished hoeing berries. Put cultivator through young raspberry plants – ploughed ground for corn and beans.

Sat 30 Hauled manure & prepared ground for table corn and beans – planted beans. Got load of hay (400 lbs) from D P W. Rain this evening.

1891 June

Mon 1 Planted table corn. Set stakes in raspberries and had Annie tie them up. Made cucumber bed, cultivated beets and carrots.

Tues 2 Cultivated ground for potatoes back of side hill. Took out couch grass with fork and hauled it off.

Wed 3 Commenced planting potatoes back of side hill.

Th 4 Planting all day – Finished towards evening.

Fri 5 Went to Moss Glen for pickets for rhubarb crates. Made some crates. Hoed peas – prepared and set pea brush.

Sat 6 Hoed early potatoes, beets and carrots and commenced hoeing raspberries. Sir John A MacDonald died today.

Mon 8 Hoed raspberries. Tied up blackberries.

Tues 9 Prepared ground back of barn for fodder corn and turnips. Used cultivator and fork to get out couch grass.

Wed 10 Hauling out manure for corn and turnips.

Th 11 Composted sheep manure for corn and turnips.

Fri 12 Harrowed down corn and turnip rows – preparing turnip rows for seed and sowed seed in the afternoon with seed drill. Put in chemical manure.

Sat 13 Composted privy manure and hauled it out on buckwheat ground – harrowed buckwheat ground. Harrowed off potato rows back of hill. Sowed fodder corn this evening. Very dry weather.

Mon 15 Sowed and harrowed in buckwheat above lane. Prepared buckwheat ground near house. Set out cabbage plants.

Tues 16 Hauled out slop hole manure for buckwheat. Sowed last of buckwheat and harrowed it in. Rolled buckwheat ground. Cultivated new strawberry plants and commenced hoeing them. Thunder shower this evening.

Wed 17 Cultivated potatoes among apple trees, beans in orchard and vegetables below lane fence.

Th 18 Finished hoeing new strawberry plants, commenced hoeing potatoes.

Fri 19 Hoeing potatoes all day.

Sat 20 Hoed vegetables and beans below lane fence.

Mon 22 Cultivated strawberries near barn and commenced hoeing them.

Tues 23 Rain last night and showery all day. Transplanting beets all day.

Wed 24 Heavy thunder shower this morning. Drove to St. John and return today.

Th 25 Thinned out beets and other little jobs this morning. Hoeing strawberries this afternoon. R Harrity died today.

Fri 26 Hoeing strawberries – finished piece near house and cultivated piece near barn. Cultivated corn & beans, early beets and carrots.

Sat 27 Hoeing strawberries near barn all day. Dull and cool.

Mon 29 Wet this morning. Repairing boots and wagon shaft. Mrs. S Langstroth and Mr Pickard here this afternoon.

Tues 30 Finished and painted shafts. Finished hoeing strawberries. Commenced hoeing carrots.

1891 July

Wed 1 Hoed early beets and carrots, table corn and beans and commenced hoeing raspberries.

Th 2 Finished hoeing raspberries.

Fri 3 Cultivated potatoes back of side hill. Painted express wagon.

Sat 4 Hoed potatoes back of side hill. Rain this evening.

Mon 6 Repairing pasture fence. Thinning out beets. Weeding strawberries.

Tues 7 Cultivated new strawberry plants, corn, turnips and early potatoes. Weeding strawberries.

Wed 8 Wet this morning. Making crates part of the day. Doing little jobs about the place.

Th 9 Cut grass around strawberry field &c. Weeding strawberries. Fitted up for pickers. Hoeing new plants. Capt. Roche here to *inspect armory*.

Fri 10 Hoeing new st. plants, corn & turnips.

Sat 11 Hoeing potatoes nearly all day. Getting berries picked.

Mon 13 Cultivated vegetables below lane fence, table corn and beans. Drove to St. John in the evening with berries.

Tues 14 Got home about noon. Thinning out turnips.

Wed 15 Finished thinning out turnips, hoeing vegetables, picking berries.

Th 16 Making crates – picking berries.

Fri 17 Picking berries this morning, repairing fence and weeding strawberries this afternoon.

Sat 18 Picking part of the day. Repairing pasture fence and weeding berries nearly all day.

Mon 20 Picking berries nearly all day.

Tues 21 Picking part of the day. Repairing pasture fence in the morning. Picked peas and pulled carrots for market tomorrow.

Wed 22 Mowed grass in front of house this forenoon, hoed garden patch in the afternoon.

Th 23 Drove to St. John with berries early this morning. Returned about noon. Prepared and sent a crate of carrots to market by boat this afternoon. Hauled in hay.

Fri 24 Picking berries most of the day.

Sat 25 Picking this forenoon. Minnie Frost came in the boat this evening.

Mon 27 Picking berries this morning. Weeding and training runners in new strawberry field.

Tues 28 Hoeing beets – weeding strawberries, mowed lodged clover above lane fence.

Wed 29 Finished hoeing beets. Mowed grass on bank of road and other spots.

Th 30 Working with hay part of the day. Pulled carrots in bunch for market. Got in clover hay.

Fri 31 Fitted up mowing machine this forenoon. Got in what hay I had out. Mowed with machine back of orchard this afternoon.

1891 August

Sat 1 Working in hay field all day got in about one load. Fitted up horse rake for use.

Mon 3 [No entry]

Tues 4 [No entry]

Wed 5 No entry]

Th 6 Haying all the week

Fri 7 Did not mow any today but got in all I had out.

Sat 8 Raining part of the day. Picking berries and doing other work about the house and barn.

Mon 10 Wet and foggy all day. Pulling weeds in strawberries most of the day.

Tues 11 Foggy in the morning. Fine most of the day. Haying little meadow all day.

Wed 12 Raining this morning. Fine in the middle of the day. Opened and dried hay. Got in one load. Showers came and caught about one load spread out. Thunder showers this evening.

Th 13 Baby boy born this morning. Drove to the 'Neck' for Mrs. Fanny Dickson this morning. Haying this afternoon. Cut hay in upper meadow this evening.

Fri 14 Haying in upper meadow all day.

Sat 15 Let my horse go to a blueberry picnic today with the children – A D Wetmore driving. Cut and got in small load of hay near the house. Rain this evening.

Mon 17 Rain this morning – fine towards noon. Mowed grass in old garden and other small spots and put it in cock.

Tues 18 Cut last of my hay today – rain came on in the afternoon and wet hay, got in one small load put rest in cock. Drove to Kingston in the evening with Miss Carrie Frost.

Wed 19 Finished haying today – got in 24 loads altogether.

Th 20 Cultivated new strawberry plants. Pulling weeds out of vegetable lot and strawberries

Fri 21 Dug two barrels potatoes, pulled beets, carrots and beans for market. Killed 8 pair chickens this morning.

Sat 22 Drove to St. John today with load for market. Raining this afternoon.

Mon 24 Dull and foggy. Working about wood house and barn. Picked raspberries.

Tues 25 Hauling kiln wood to shore to load schooner. Sold part of my wood to Mr Fisher.

Wed 26 Hauling wood all day. Gilbert Wetmore helping.

Th 27 Finished hauling down wood. Raining this afternoon. Annie F & Minnie came in boat. Cleaned rifles in armory.

Fri 28 Preparing beets and carrots for market. Picked raspberries.

Sat 29 Pulling weeds in strawberries. Hauling kiln wood to shore in the afternoon for John Waddell.

Mon 31 Weeding strawberries this forenoon. Drove out with Clara in the afternoon.

1891 September

Tues 1 Hauling more kiln wood to shore today.

Wed 2 Raining this forenoon. Doing little jobs about the place all day.

Th 3 Got load of fertilizer from D P W this morning. Cultivated strawberries this afternoon. Mrs. Frost came today.

Fri 4 Drove Mrs. Dixon home today. Pulled beets for market.

Sat 5 Hoeing strawberries all day.

Mon 7 Raining all day. Drove to Justus Pickett's in the afternoon with Mrs. Frost.

Tues 8 Dressing strawberries this morning. Preparing turnips for market this afternoon.

Wed 9 Working at strawberries nearly all day (to go to funeral of Mr Jones)

Th 10 Mowed some buckwheat this morning. Dressing strawberries. James had my horse.

Fri 11 Mowing and bunching buckwheat this morning. Mixed fertilizer and put it in strawberry fields.

Sat 12 School picnic at Kingston today. Mowing oats nearly all day.

Mon 14 Raining this morning. Drove to St. John and return this afternoon.

Tues 15 Cut last of buckwheat. Mowing oats Wed 16th & Th 17th Hauling in oats.

Fri 18 Raining most of the day. Working about wood house & barn most of the day.

Sat 19 Mowed last of the oats today, turned buckwheat.

Mon 21 Hauled some buckwheat today. Raining this afternoon.

Tues 22 Put in last of oats today. Have 16 bushels.

Wed 23 Threshing buckwheat.

Th 24 Finished threshing – cleaned up grain and took some to mill.

Fri 25 Got flour from mill. Gathered N B apples and packed two bbl for market. had lamb killed.

Sat 26 Raked buckwheat in potatoes. Dug some potatoes. dressing strawberries.

Mon 28 Cleaning weeds out of strawberries all day.

Tues 29 Working at strawberries all day.

Wed 30 Finished cleaning weeds out of strawberries. Hauled load of chips from Moss Glen.

1891 October

Th 1 Hauled load of chips this morning. Burned brush where kiln wood was chopped.

Fri 2 Dug some potatoes. Hauled out liquid manure from shed in meadow and put in dry manure.

Sat 3 Drove to Kingston for Dr. Paddock for Annie. Threshed and cleaned up buckwheat in potatoes. Cow 'snowball' had calf today.

Mon 5 Stormy working about wood house and barn.

Tues 6 Spent most of the day preparing vegetables for the Kingston Exhibition.

Wed 7 Attended Agricultural Exhibition at Kingston today. Took prizes on onions. carrots & turnips.

Th 8 Attended school meeting this morning. Raining all day. Working about wood house.

Fri 9 Cutting wood and digging potatoes.

Sat 10 Looking for sheep this morning. Digging potatoes this afternoon.

Mon 12 Digging potatoes most of the day.

Tues 13 Digging potatoes back of side hill.

Wed 14 Raining nearly all day. Working about wood house and barn.

Th 15 Dug a few potatoes. Dull and foggy. Moved horse power for sawing wood.

Fri 16 Set up machine preparing to saw wood.

Sat 17 Working at sawing machine. Commenced sawing in the afternoon.

Mon 19 Digging potatoes all day.

Tues 20 Digging potatoes – wet in the afternoon.

Wed 21 Wet – sawing wood with horse power most of the day.

Th 22 Drove to St. John and return with Elsie to get tooth pulled.

Fri 23 Rain this morning turned to snow in afternoon. Put up stove &c.

Sat 24 About 6 inches of snow on the ground this morning. Snowing and cold today.

Mon 26 Worked at sawing wood part of the day. Broke shaft in machine (will not be able to saw more with it)

Tues 27 Raining most of the day. Moved horse power to barn preparing to thresh.

Wed 28 Threshing oats all day, Gilbert Wetmore & W Lamb helping. Cold

Th 29 Finished threshing at noon today, putting in straw in the afternoon.

Fri 30 Cleaned up oats today – had 82 bushels from 2 acres, thawing this afternoon.

Sat 31 Moved oats to armory and cleaned up about barn. Finished digging potatoes this afternoon. Some snow yet on the ground.

1891 November

Mon 2 Working about wood house. Pulled and got in some beets.

Tues 3 Hauled load of hulls from Waddell's Mill. Hauled 1 cord kiln wood to W Lamb.

Wed 4 Cleaned out privy vault and hauled manure to barn. Got in more beets today.

Th 5 Commenced putting down raspberries today.

Fri 6 Finished putting down raspberries and hauled out manure to them.

Sat 7 Hauling out manure for rhubarb today.

Mon 9 Thawing, pulled beets today and part of turnips.

Tues 10 Pulling and getting in turnips all day. Finished the job – had about 50 bbls altogether.

Wed 11 Wet this morning. Got out last of vegetables – cabbage, parsnips &c today.

Th 12 Thanksgiving Day. Commenced ploughing stubble land.

Fri 13 Ploughing all day. Got horse from D P W to mate mine this afternoon.

Sat 14 Ploughing oat stubble in upper meadow with two horses.

Mon 16 [No entry]

Tues 17 [No entry]

Wed 18 Ploughing with two horses where weather permitted, broke up some sod land

Th 19 Finished oat stubble.

Fri 20 Plowed some with one horse to finish. Hauled out last manure to rhubarb.

Sat 21 Working about barn and house. Clara and Elsie with the two youngest children went to Norton this afternoon to return Monday.

Mon 23 Walked to Norton yesterday afternoon to look for David who had started out to meet his mother. Found he had arrived all right. Returned this morning. Banking house.

Tues 24 Cutting brush for berries.

Wed 25 Fitted up brush wagon and commenced hauling brush. Got in 5 loads.

Th 26 Spreading and hauling brush – James cutting. Got in 6 loads.

Fri 27 Raining this morning, working about wood house and barn. Spread brush this afternoon.

Sat 28 Storming again today turned to snow towards night. Working about wood house &c.

Mon 30 Hauling brush today in sled – James cutting.

1891 December

Tues 1 Finished putting brush on berries today.

Wed 2 Got load of brush to put back of hen house. Working about hen house and wood house.

Th 3 Hauled two loads sawdust from Moss Glen.

Fri 4 Hauled load of sawdust from Moss Glen this forenoon. Working about barn this afternoon.

Sat 5 Heavy wind and rain last night. Working about house preparing for winter.

Mon 7 Rain today ending with light snow. Working about wood house and barn.

Tues 8 Drove to St. John and return today – crossing ferry.

Wed 9 Working about house and barn. Put on outside sashes.

Th 10 Prepared to kill pig today but found it best to put it off. Repairing roofs.

Fri 11 Worked all day at repairing house roofs.

Sat 12 Worked most of the day fitting up hen house.

Mon 14 Piling poles and wood on burnt land all day.

Tues 15 River froze over. Cutting stumps in burnt land – went out to hard wood lot this afternoon.

Wed 16 Snowing part of the day ended in rain. Working about shop and wood house.

Th 17 Cold. Working about home all day.

"Mountain Cottage," stereograph taken by John Saunders Climo at Moss Glen, c. 1875. (Source: New Brunswick Museum, Saint John, N.B. 4430)

Fri 18 Killed pig today. Crossing ice on foot.

Sat 19 Cut up pork. Shut up cellar door and banked it with sawdust. Horse crossed the ice.

Mon 21 Went to woods today and cut out road to hard wood lot.

Tues 22 Mild and thawing. Working about house. Attended meeting of Ag Soc at Hall this afternoon. Rain this evening.

Wed 23 Still thawing, working about house – making new front steps. Ice unsafe to cross.

Th 24 Working at steps all day. Fine day but mild.

Fri 25 Christmas. Snow last night.

Sat 26 Rain today took off snow.

Mon 28 Fitted up stall in stable for colt. River clear of ice from Gondola Point to island.

Tues 29 Working about wood house and barn. We both drove to Kingston for Dr. Paddock for baby. Rain again.

Wed 30 Cold. Working about wood house. River still open.

Th 31 Cold. Working about woodhouse. River half open.

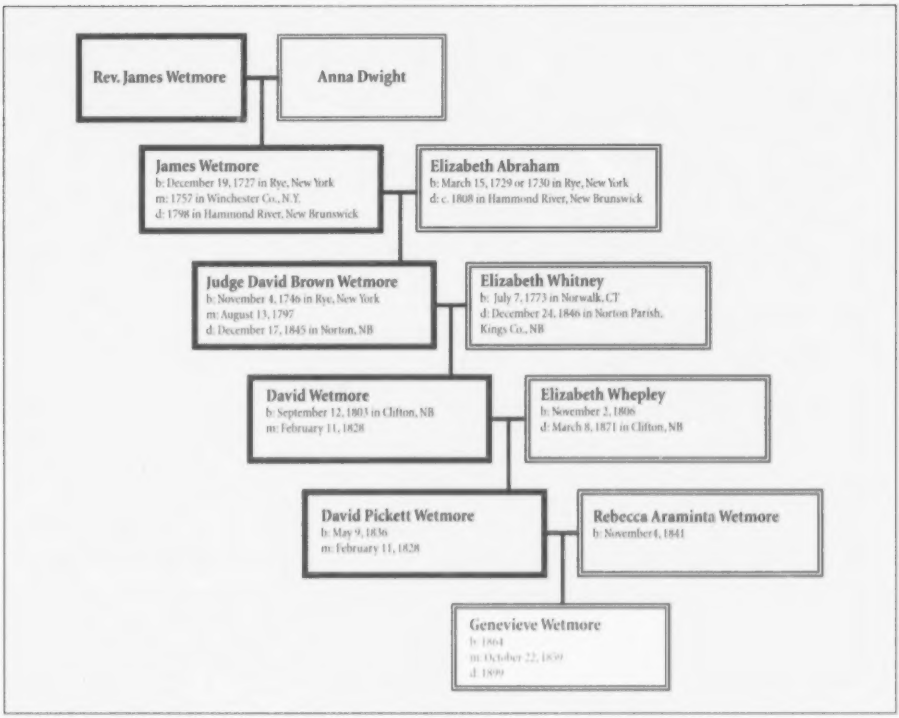
The Diary of Genvieve Wetmore

1889

Dilige, et quodius fac. Love, and do what you like.

Photo: Genvieve Wetmore (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Ancestors of Genevieve Wetmore



Genevieve Wetmore, the eldest daughter of Rebecca Araminta and David Pickett Wetmore, was an artist and studied oil painting in Saint John. She graduated from Normal School, in Fredericton, and taught school in Clifton before marrying John Frost on October 22, 1889. John was the younger brother of Howard Wetmore's second wife, Clara. He was a partner in Frost & Langstroth, the company that had the contract for finishing the outside of All Saints Church in 1885, and installing the roof and spire. Genevieve inherited her mother's artistic skills and was herself a gifted sewer.

This diary records one year in the life of Genevieve, her family, friends and neighbours. All references to holidays, festivals and religious days are printed in the diary, which was a product of the Canadian Branch of the Standard Life Assurance Company. According to community lore, she died in childbirth and is buried with the child at her breast. However, there is no documentation to substantiate this. Her funeral is recorded in her uncle Howard's diary.

January 1889

1 Tuesday Race to the train. Out skating. Jen P[1]. here; all went to Reid's except me.

2 Wednesday Good skating. We were out this afternoon. Am was in town. Got my valise which was left yesterday. No snow on ground. Wrote letters tonight. Louise[2] was up to Iola's.

3 Thursday Skated up to Julia's via Lake & creek. Company there in the evening. D.P.H. went to F'ton & Willie to St. John.

4 Friday Skated home from Julia's although there was snow on ice. Egbert came to lake with us. Aunt Julia here to tea. Boys are out fixing rink.

5 Saturday Pa came from F'ton. Louise and Jennie left at noon. Louise will remain in St. John till Monday. Was skating on rink the boys made. Willie came from St. John today.

6 Sunday Epiphany Rather dull. Father skated to Rothesay this morning. Kingston this afternoon. Service here this evening. I was not out until evening.

7 Monday School commenced with twenty four scholars. Raining again and snow all off. Uncle Merrit & Aunt Maggie here to tea. Father was in St. John. Iona is at school again.

8 Tuesday Agricultural lecture tonight by Hon. Z. A. Gilbert. S. L. Peters. Mrs. [?]. Miss Ed Peters. Mr. Hall & Paterson here to tea. And Mr. Peters & wife here for all night. Lovely moonlight evening.

9 Wednesday Mr. & Mrs Peters left this morning. I was out skating until six o'clock but it is raining since tea.

10 Thursday There is scarcely a spot of snow left after last nights rain and Aron says the ice is failing. It was like spring today. We had a letter from Louise. She was at Eastport.

11 Friday Very windy today but not cold. Skating excellent. Quite a large Guild meeting tonight in the church. They thought it advisable to accept the offer of organ.

12 Saturday Fine. Lulu took lesson. Out skating in afternoon. An Agricultural meeting in Hall. Mr. Frost came down this evening. [?] we were at Uncle Thed's. A new boy arrived at Aunt Clara's.

13 Sunday 1st after Epiphany How & frank came up today. Service this afternoon. Addie is over the river to church this evening and Am & Father down to White's with Mr. Wainwright.

14 Monday Skating excellent. Was out after school. Nearly all the young people are out this evening.

Genevieve was an accomplished painter and gave the first art lessons to cousin Lulu, nickname for Julia Tilley Crawford, who became a famous New Brunswick artist. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

15 Tuesday Still Fine. There were some skating races on the ice this afternoon which thinned the school pretty well. There was a great number of people on the ice.

16 Wednesday How, Dave and two others skated out from St. John and took tea here. There were crowds out skating tonight here on the ice.

17 Thursday Very rainy all day. Received a letter from Louise. No news to write about.

18 Friday Nothing important.

19 Saturday This afternoon How leaves. A Mr. Sullivan, Jennie Bess and Miss Dunback skated up. The girls stayed. Lulu took her lesson.

20 Sunday 2nd after Epiphany Fine and cold. At church this morning & few [?] I went to Aunt Clara's this afternoon. Julia [Crawford] is very sick. The girls are going down in the morning. They were over the river.

21 Monday First snowstorm since Christmas. The girls skated down this morning. Father went to the Island. The boys are playing cards downstairs.

22 Tuesday Fine and good sleighing.

23 Wednesday Fine. Many took advantage of good traveling & went to town. Aunt Charlotte was here to tea. Aunt Betsy Ann came from Bertie's today. Father was down to Holderville examining schools.

24 Thursday Nothing important.

25 Friday Went to Kingston dance. About seventy people present. The sleighing was only fair.

26 Saturday Lulu did not come for lesson. I painted some this afternoon. Am. went to Rothesay tonight for freight. Mr. F came down.

27 Sunday 3rd after Epiphany Snowing some tonight. We were down to service. Very few there. Am is at the Reach.

28 Monday Aunt Mary Ann's house was on fire at an early hour this morning, but was fortunately saved some damage to her carpets etc. Harper came today.

29 Tuesday Fine and cold. Mr. Wainwright called here tonight.

30 Wednesday Fine and cold. Good coasting. I called to see Aunt Maggie. She is quite sick.

31 Thursday [No entry]

February 1889

1 Friday Very stormy day & few children at school. The snow is drifting tonight.

2 Saturday Lulu, took her lesson today. Weather fine & traveling good. Maggie Flewelling has scarlet fever.

3 Sunday 4th after Epiphany Fine. Am went away this morning. Julie & Loni drove out this afternoon. Leonard has scarlet fever. Marcia came up but did not go home.

4 Monday Snow storm this morning but fine now. There were only eight scholars at school today.

5 Tuesday Father went to St. John. Brought Iola out of town with him. Susie F. has scarlet fever.

6 Wednesday Very heavy snow today. Only five scholars. Miss Gorham is here.

7 Thursday Clear & cold. Stanley is not well and probably has the fever.

8 Friday Stanley has the fever but is not very sick. Father & Addie went in town this afternoon. School is closed for the present.

9 Saturday Rather snowing today. Stanley quite sick. Mr F. came this afternoon. A man came to Uncle Hud's to see about building an icehouse in which to store ice for exporting to New York next summer. I believe he purchased the mill.

10 Sunday 5th after Epiphany Fine. I took a long drive this morning but we have not been able to go out to church or anywhere.

11 Monday The weather's fine and cold. Ed Chalmer moved his things away from the Clifton today.

12 Tuesday Heavy snow storm today. Stanley seems slightly improved. Everything very quiet.

13 Wednesday Fine. Stanley was dressed nearly all day.

14 Thursday Fine. Father went to St. John this morning & has not yet returned 10 PM. We hear that Julia Flewelling is to be married to S. L. Peters.

15 Friday Fine. Dr. Nelson of the Board of Health paid us a visit today.

16 Saturday I went to Saint John and had my front tooth operated upon. Came out on five train. Waited two hours at station, then when Father came the horse ran away while he was in the station & I walked almost all the way home. The horse came to Moss Glen. Nothing destroyed.

17 Sunday Septuagesima Sunday Very quiet today. Morning service here but we could not go.

18 Monday The Ice Company are commencing operations today. That is the building. Stanley is improving quite fast. Is still kept in his room.

19 Tuesday Nothing important.

20 Wednesday John Kirkpatrick was buried today at Gondola Point Church. Father went away today to Hampton, is not yet back.

21 Thursday Am took hay to St. John today. Stan was out for a drive today.

22 Friday Very windy today. Am skated to Indiantown and back, although ice has a great deal of snow on it.

23 Saturday Very cold tonight. Am went to town with hay. Mr. F. came down.

24 Sunday *Sexagesima* There was no service today through a misunderstanding about no getting the fires built. I walked down to see remains of old mill. Weather very cold.

25 Monday Dull today.

26 Tuesday Am went with Douglas in town to skating races this afternoon. Father left for an inspecting tour up country.

27 Wednesday Julia Flewelling was married at Kingston today. St. John had it's winter carnival. Weather very fine. We are quilting Addie's quilt. Stan was outdoors playing nearly all day.

28 Thursday Fine. Am commenced getting the ice. We got the quilt off and Amelia bound it.

March 1889

1 Friday Fine & quiet. Father got home late last night.

2 Saturday Went to St. John this morning. Took a drive with How & Laura down Mahogany Road in the afternoon. Did not get home until eleven o'clock.

3 Sunday Quinquagesima Shrove Sunday. Very quiet today. Uncle Richard our only caller.

4 Monday Fine. Am finished getting the ice.

5 Tuesday We quilted my worsted quilt today. Amelia helping us.

6 Wednesday Ash Wednesday Went to Norton in the rain with Mr. F. sleighing very bad. Aunt Eliza was at our place.

7 Thursday Stormy. Uncle Hud was to leave for F'ton.

8 Friday Still stormy and we can not get out.

9 Saturday Still snowy. Drove to Hampton in a wagon.

10 Sunday 1st in Lent Still stormy but cleared tonight. Came home in wagon. None of us attended church yet.

11 Monday Fine. The ice men are putting ice in the house now. Father went to St. John this afternoon.

12 Tuesday Fine. Addie & I went to the ice house this afternoon. They are working only one sliver but have another almost ready & it is quite a busy scene.

13 Wednesday [No entry]

14 Thursday Stan @ lessons downstairs today & Mother fumigated the rooms with sulphur. Father went away this morning.

15 Friday Fine. Father came home tonight.

16 Saturday Fair. Amelia & Mother cleaned the back rooms.

17 Sunday 2nd in Lent We went to church today. It is stormy. Mr. Wainwright was here to dinner.

18 Monday School commenced today with ten scholars. The men have concluded to stop as the ice is getting so thin. The house is hardly half full.

19 Tuesday Light snow last night & today. The boys have tapped a few trees on the hill.

20 Wednesday They are boiling sap in the house.

21 Thursday Fine but muddy.

22 Friday Fine. Father went away up the line today. Have still only eleven scholars. Mr. Frost was down this evening.

23 Saturday Fine. Am commenced tapping trees in the woods today. Julia & Leonard came here this afternoon but did not stay. I was at Uncle Hud's this evening and that is the first I have been in anybody's house for 6 weeks.

24 Sunday 3rd in Lent Was at church tonight. Very muddy walking.

25 Monday Fine. Had 16 scholars today.

26 Tuesday Fine. The mail came by the bridge[1] today but Am and [?] skated a puny[4] to Rothesay & brought up a load. Father went away. Mother is down to Emily's.

27 Wednesday Am skated to Rothesay this morning with honey but this afternoon the ice seems to be wasting very fast. Addie went up with Iola.

28 Thursday Rained very heavy nearly all day. Addie did not get home.

29 Friday Fine. The ice is so broken at the Point that a boat was taken across today, but some men walked across the ice at the Glen. Am was at sap camp and boiled about ten gallons.

30 Saturday Quite a snowstorm this morning so that people could travel in sleighs, but it is going very fast. Mr. U and Father here to tea. Mr. Frost came down.

31 Sunday 4th in Lent Snow still on the ground. Am went to the Reach in a sleigh. We were down to service this evening.

April 1889

1 Monday Snowed a little today. Had 19 scholars.

2 Tuesday Sleighing quite good. Marcia, Fred and Purdy came up home today. Am is making a little sugar tonight.

3 Wednesday Fine. Father went to St. John with sleigh via the bridge and has not yet returned.

4 Thursday Mother was up to Aunt Charlotte's to tea. Horace came home from college today.

5 Friday Guild and service at the church tonight. Mr. Wainwright & Iola here to tea. Am got a great deal of sap today. Elizabeth came home.

6 Saturday Fine. Father went to St. John this afternoon crossing the ferry at Pitt's. I was at Uncle Richard's to tea. Miss Burnett was there. She and Horace walked down with me.

7 Sunday 5th in Lent Fine. Service this afternoon. May was in and we went over to Aunt Clara's.

8 Monday Fine. The ferry boat came across the river here tonight after we went out.

9 Tuesday Fine.

10 Wednesday Fine. Am took honey to St. John. Came back across here on scow. We were up to Edith's tonight helping sew rags.

11 Thursday Fine. Beamish, butcher, was here and took cattle away tonight. Mother has put on a mat.

12 Friday Fine. After school I was up to Mrs. Buckley's to see Lizzie who broke her arm. Mr. Wainwright was here to tea. Maud was in helping Addie hook on mat.

13 Saturday Fine. Lulu took lesson. A. P. W. went to St. John with our team taking honey etc. Mr. F. came down tonight.

14 Sunday *Palm Sunday* Service this morning and very good congregation. Mr. Wainwright and Iola here to dinner. Addie & Dave were up.

15 Monday Fine. Mr. Wainwright was here tonight making up church accounts.

16 Tuesday Fine.

17 Wednesday Elizabeth was here to tea. We had church practice in the Hall this evening. The 'Clifton' went to St. John this morning for first.

18 Thursday Lottie & Mr. Frost came down tonight & Lottie remained. Jen Puddington came up. We went across the river to meet Father. Uncle Hud came home.

19 Friday *Good Friday* Service at the church this afternoon. We went to Aunt Clara's. Jen is here. Leslie was up.

20 Saturday This afternoon we walked up the mountain road, called at several places. Horace was here tonight. Lulu did not take her lesson.

21 Sunday *Easter Sunday* Am, Jen, Lottie and I drove to Norton today and stayed about two hours. It rained before we got home. Mr. Smith was there.

22 Monday Jen went home on 'Clifton'. Mother went to St. John. Am planted potatoes today. Father was up to Easter meeting.

23 Tuesday Susie was down here tonight. First time since she was sick.

24 Wednesday Mother came from St. John tonight. It is very windy indeed.

25 Thursday Fine.

26 Friday Mr. Wainwright had confirmation class at schoolhouse. Father was in town.

27 Saturday Rainy. Lulu took lesson. Iola and Flo were here to tea. The chemical came tonight on boat.

28 Sunday *Low Sunday* Rainy nearly all day. Mr. Frost came this morning & did not go home tonight too dark. Flo came here and stopped all night. Service this evening but I stayed home.

29 Monday Rainy tonight. Father went away this morning. Royce Melick is in the place & was at school today. Arch and Maggie are to be married in the morning.

30 Tuesday Rainy this morning. Arch & Maggie were married this morning.

May 1889

1 Wednesday Fine. Mother cleaned three bedrooms. Father came home.

2 Thursday [No entry]

3 Friday [No entry]

4 Saturday Lulu took lesson today.

5 Sunday 2nd after Easter Service here this afternoon. Very windy. Am went to the Reach tonight.

6 Monday May & I were at Edith's to take tea. Father was in St. John.

7 Tuesday Addie's birthday. The girls and Roger are here tonight.

8 Wednesday Practice in the Hall tonight.

9 Thursday Mother and Amelia cleaned sitting room. I was down to Hetty's tonight helping to sew rags.

10 Friday Mr. Wainwright had his first confirmation lecture in the church tonight. There was a thunder shower just before tea. Flo Gorham came down tonight.

11 Saturday Was in St. John today & Hazel & Ettie came up on the boat with me. Joe Merrit went on up to the neck. Jennie Puddington thinks of going to Paris.

12 Sunday 3rd after Easter Am's birthday but he spent greater part away from home. Flo came back with 9 trout. Mr. Frost and F. all came down this afternoon. S. School opened today. Frank & Miss Butcher were out.

13 Monday Fine. Mother went to Kingston to dressmaker's; Am went to Reach tonight.

14 Tuesday [No entry]

15 Wednesday [No entry]

16 Thursday [No entry]

17 Friday Arbor Day We had quite a picnic this afternoon on the school grounds after the work was done. There was service in the evening.

18 Saturday Lulu took lesson. Laura did not come as expected. The weather is fine and dry.

19 Sunday 4th after Easter Aunt Eliza & Uncle Galer came up today It is very warm indeed. I went down to White's with Mr. Wainwright and came back in the evening.

20 Monday Fine and warm. Mother and Addie are down to Hetty's tonight.

21 Tuesday Not very fine.

22 Wednesday Dr. Fred Wetmore was in the place tonight on Life Insurance business.

23 Thursday Service in the church tonight. May went up to Bertie's. Mother was in Kingston. Father came home. Am's cow died tonight.

24 Friday Queen Victoria b.1819 Quite a picnic party came from St. John by steamer. I took a long drive this afternoon out on the Reach road. Ettie stayed up tonight. It rained this evening.

25 Saturday Lulu took lesson. Miss Pickett was in here tonight. I sent in my resignation tonight. It was nice & fine with the exception of one shower.

26 Sunday Rogation Sunday Service this morning. It was very quiet this afternoon. Am & Ad went to the Reach and Mother and Pa to Kingston.

27 Monday Addie went to St. John this morning. Father went away tonight. It looks very like rain now.

28 Tuesday [No entry]

29 Wednesday [No entry]

30 Thursday Ascension Day ñ Holy Thursday [No entry]

31 Friday Foggy. Service this evening and quite a number present. Father came home almost sick with cold.

June 1889

1 Saturday Fine & warm.

2 Sunday Sunday after Ascension Dull and rainy. Mr. Frost was down. We went to Aunt Clara's this afternoon. Did not go to service.

3 Monday Dull and rainy.

4 Tuesday Rainy all day. Mother took things out of parlor tonight preparatory to papering.

5 Wednesday Dull.

6 Thursday Dull.

7 Friday Dull and rainy. Papered the parlor today. Mr. Wainwright came to stay all night.

8 Saturday Rainy. Mother & Father papered the hall & parlor.

9 Sunday Whit Sunday Dull & rainy. Service in the evening

10 Monday Dull & rainy. Received the news that Marion has a baby boy born on Sat. last.

11 Tuesday Mr. Roberts came to Clifton to commence building the wharf.

12 Wednesday Julia A came up tonight on the boat to remain until Sat. Mother papered Addie's room.

13 Thursday Mother and Julia drove to Julia Crawford's. It is really fine today. Father went away somewhere.

14 Friday [No entry]

15 Saturday Was in St. John today to shop. Met Mrs. Will Carter on boat. It rained real heavy before we got home. Mother and Julia were to Lottie's. Mr. Feame came down.

16 Sunday *Trinity Sunday* Went to Kingston Church then to Julia's for dinner. Julia Armstrong and Vern went down tonight.

17 Monday Dull. Father went away today.

18 Tuesday Fine.

19 Wednesday Lulu took lesson. Was at practice.

20 Thursday Queen's Accession 1837 [No entry]

21 Friday [No entry]

22 Saturday Louise came home. Am was in St. John. Mother put new oil cloth in the hall.

23 Sunday *1st after Trinity* May was to take tea with us. Service in the morning.

24 Monday Went up to Mrs. Buckley's to see Willie who is sick. Lulu took lesson.

25 Tuesday Had my final examination this afternoon. The children gave me a desk.

26 Wednesday Louise and I went to F'ton today on 'David Weston'. Attended Institute in the evening. We are staying at Aunt Hattie's.

27 Thursday We attended the Institute, all three sessions. Met a number of old friends and teachers. It is pretty warm. All the girls are at Uncle Will's.

28 Friday Attended Institute in morning, and went to teacher's excursion to Currie's mountain in afternoon and then to closing session in evening.

29 Saturday Returned home today by boat. Willie met us at the Reach. Father came down by train. He brought new wagon with him.

30 Sunday *2nd after Trinity* Ellie came over tonight to go to Digby. Dr. Magee was here and Charlie, Herb and Mr. Frost.

July 1889

1 Monday Fine. They went to Digby. Ellie, Am, Louise and Herb. He was sketching this morning. He was out for a dance in the afternoon. Mr. & Mrs. Jardine were here to take tea.

2 Tuesday Fine. Louise and May went to Marcia's.

3 Wednesday I came to St. John today. Took a drawing lesson and am staying with Agnes. Not fine.

4 Thursday Took lesson today. It was very rainy.

5 Friday Took lessons and was at Julie's to take dinner. Went up the hill again tonight.

6 Saturday Took lesson this morning then Bessie and I went to Bayshore to sketch. It was very fine and warm.

7 Sunday *3rd after Trinity* Went to hear Mr. DeSoyres twice today, and was at Julia's to dinner but came up the hill again.

8 Monday Took lesson this morning and came home this afternoon. The Manor was buried this afternoon.

9 Tuesday Showery.

10 Wednesday Sunday School Teacher's Union meet here today. We provided berries, tea and coffee and set tables in the hall.

11 Thursday We were busy making Addie's white dress today.

12 Friday Fine.

13 Saturday Fine. Lulu took lesson. A good many berries today. Mr. Frost came down tonight. A new baby arrived at Hannah's tonight.

14 Sunday *4th after Trinity* Howard Wetmore's were up this afternoon. Rev. J. preached this evening. Stan went home with Mr. F.

15 Monday Confirmation at Kingston today.

16 Tuesday Confirmation held in this church this morning. The Coadjutor is here tonight, & Mr. Wainwright and wife and Kew J. T. F. were here to dinner and tea.

17 Wednesday The Bishop was here today. He held service at White's tonight. Aunt Lottie came to Uncle Hud's.

18 Thursday The Bishop left this afternoon. It has been very pleasant all of the week.

19 Friday Fine & warm. Uncle Gabe here to tea.

20 Saturday Rainy in afternoon.

21 Sunday *5th after Trinity* Mother and Louise were at Julie C's this afternoon. Sunday School this morning. Joe and Hawkesley were in for a short time.

22 Monday Fine. Aunt Lottie spent the day here. Aunt Louise was in to tea.

23 Tuesday I went to St. John today to attend carnival. Saw Trade's Procession and Electric Exhibition. Stayed at Julie's all night. Lee and Emoline were there.

24 Wednesday Up to Aunt Eliza's for dinner. Louise and Addie came down. I came home this afternoon. Marion, husband and baby are at her mother's.

25 Thursday Fine. Am came from St. John. Fred F. saw two deer out in the back pasture today.

26 Friday Fine. Mr. & Mrs. Wainwright were here to take tea on their way from St. John.

27 Saturday It is rainy tonight. Addie came home. Charlie Gorham came up on the boat. Harry also came to Aunt Clara's. Mother and Father went to St. John this afternoon. Mr. Frost came down.

28 Sunday *6th after Trinity* Julia and Leonard came to dinner. Marion and Sydney took tea at home. I am at Mr. Frost's. Came down with him after tea.

29 Monday Went over to Mr. Upham's with Mr. F. and Father. Marie Lugrin was expected in Clifton today.

30 Tuesday Mr. Upham & family drove with us to St. Martins where we took dinner, went through the Seminary and visited the Beach and took in the sights generally. Arrived at Upham at 9 P.M.

31 Wednesday Returned to Norton today. Addie came up on boat tonight.

August 1889

1 Thursday Went out to River and saw Marie and Louise on 'Clifton'. Took Addie to boat this afternoon. He went up to the Ravine[5] for a dance. Mr. & Mrs. Frost took Mrs. Smith down to Mrs. Dixon's.

2 Friday Was out sketching in the afternoon. Came home in the evening. Mr. F went back tonight. Marie is still here.

3 Saturday Weather has been foggy all the week. Stanley Smith is here. The school is being painted and repaired generally.

4 Sunday *7th after Trinity* Service this afternoon. Marion was down. Charlie came to stay all night. Mother has gone to stay with Lottie M. who is very sick.

5 Monday Fine this morning but rain in the afternoon. Stan Smith went home

6 Tuesday Fine.

7 Wednesday Bessie Puddington came tonight on boat. Julie A. came from Lottie's to stop all night.

8 Thursday Father crushed his hand in the chain of hay scale. Bess and Marie went up to Point on excursion boat.

9 Friday Bess, Marie and myself went out sketching and up on Sugar Loaf this afternoon. Mrs. Phoebe Wetmore was here this afternoon.

10 Saturday Marie went home. It rained hard this afternoon. Am is in St. John. Mother is going to Lottie's to stay all night.

11 Sunday *8th after Trinity* Mother did not come home, for Lottie was very much worse last night. Miss Raymond is here to stay all night. Charlie Foster was in after church.

12 Monday Fine. Bess and I went to the Point to sketch. They are all busy in the hay. Am came from St. John this morning.

13 Tuesday Showery today. Mother went again to Lottie's to stay all night and Julie is here.

14 Wednesday It was fine this morning but rained tonight. Mr. Frost came down and brought Horace with him. They went back again. All the hay is cut but a good deal left in the wet. Mother brought Clifford home this morning.

15 Thursday Rainy day.

16 Friday Dull and rainy. Clifford was sick today. There were three doctors to see Mrs. Merritt today.

17 Saturday Mother went down with Ed this morning as Lottie was much worse. Mr. Frost stopped on his way to St. John.

18 Sunday *9th after Trinity* Lottie died this afternoon. All the Merritt's were up excepting Joyce and Frank, and here to tea. Louise and Bess drove with Horace for Mr. Frost to Norton.

19 Monday Fine. Hattie DeForest called here this afternoon. I was up to Aunt Charlotte's this evening.

20 Tuesday Was down to Ed Merritt's this morning. The funeral was very large indeed this afternoon. Mr. & Mrs. Wainwright were here to tea.

21 Wednesday Addie and Susie drove up to Julia's this afternoon. Maud Melick came to Clifton tonight.

22 Thursday It was wet and foggy today. Emoline is still very ill.

23 Friday Fine. Maud Melick was here tonight talking about her missionary work.

24 Saturday Fine. I was working all day at my tea gown. Mr. Charmichael came back to Clifton today.

25 Sunday *10th after Trinity* Service this morning. Julia Merritt came here to stay all night.

26 Monday Fine. Am went to Sussex.

27 Tuesday Fine. Aunt Eliza came here tonight.

28 Wednesday Fine. Aunt Eliza went away by boat. We put a quilt on in the office.

29 Thursday Fine. We had a few old people in to help quilt.

30 Friday Lulu came today again for lesson. The ice is being shipped now.

31 Saturday Fine and dry. Am did not come home but went to Ottawa. Mr. Frost came down tonight.

September 1889

1 Sunday *11th after Trinity* Was walking this morning up in Uncle Richard's grove. Mr. Frost took Purdy home. Service this evening. Charles Foster here today.

2 Monday Fine.

3 Tuesday Fine. Father in St. John.

4 Wednesday Fine. Aunt Mary Ann was here to tea. I was up to May's and we went over to see Lizzie.

5 Thursday Fine.

6 Friday Foggy. Aunt Seltey came this afternoon and helped work at mat. Lulu took a lesson. Aunt Clara was in this evening. Father got a new set of dentals.

7 Saturday Mother went to St. John this morning with Father. Jennie P. came up on boat tonight. Mr. Frost came down, bringing Purdy along. Jennie gives a very interesting account of her trip.

8 Sunday *12th after Trinity* Jen went to Kingston with Father in the morning. Dave and Allie were up and Jen went down tonight. I took quite a long drive after tea. Am came home.

9 Monday Fine. Lena came to Aunt Gussie's Saturday.

10 Tuesday We are busy instructing the children for school entertainment.

11 Wednesday Fine. Lulu took lesson. Scovil came to Uncle Hud's.

12 Thursday Fine. Was at the hall this afternoon practicing. Mary Ann and Scovil F were in tonight.

13 Friday Louise had the school entertainment. It was quite a success. Father came home.

14 Saturday Fine. The men were putting wood under cover today. Mother came home tonight.

15 Sunday *13th after Trinity* It rained for first in three weeks. Marcia and Fred Wood were here to take tea. Also Dave P.

16 Monday Dull and rainy.

17 Tuesday Dull and rainy. Father went away today. We were up the hill to company for Dave and Allan.

18 Wednesday Rainy.

The view in winter from Harriety's Hill. (Source: Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman Sheldrick, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

19 Thursday Rainy and wind.

20 Friday Fine. This evening quite a number went to Kingston to a dance. Broke the wagon tongue. Got home half past two.

21 Saturday Rained hard this evening. Louise was painting black-boards in school house. I was at Uncle How's settling school bill. Father came home after almost a week's absence.

22 Sunday *14th after Trinity* Mr. Frost & Purdy came down this morning. We went to morning service. Mrs. W. was here to dinner. Hawkesly and Joe were in.

23 Monday Fine. I was on the shore sketching for a short time. Lena and May were in this evening.

24 Tuesday Fine. Lulu took a lesson. Aunt Hattie and Uncle Will came. Iola and Susie here to tea after which the girls all went to Uncle Jim's to dance.

25 Wednesday Went to St. John. Julia is away so went up the hill to stay. Visited Owen's Art Gallery.

26 Thursday Took a drive out to the cemetery with Mr. Frost. This afternoon Agnes went shopping with me.

27 Friday Was shopping nearly all day. It rained. Julie came home tonight but my home is 'up the hill still'.

28 Saturday Went to Julie's this morning. Bought and commenced to make my white dress. Howard was in this evening.

29 Sunday *15th after Trinity* Went to church morning and evening. Julie, Tom and myself were up the hill to dinner. Then Jen and I called on Mrs. Frost.

30 Monday Came from St. John today. Uncle Will and Aunt Hattie are still here. Lottie Frost called at Julie's this morning.

October 1889

1 Tuesday Rainy all day.

2 Wednesday A very heavy thunderstorm about noon today. Cleared some after.

3 Thursday Fine. Uncle Will left for St. John. Louise and Father went to Teacher's Institute at Hampton. Mother was over to see Eoline.

4 Friday Dull. Guild was held at the church. Mr. Wainwright was down. Father came home but Louise went to St. John.

5 Saturday Fine.

6 Sunday *16th after Trinity* Mr. F. came this morning. Louise came home and Bess with her. I went to St. John in evening with Allan.

7 Monday Went down to Julie's this morning and we were shopping in pouring rain. Worked at my white dress in afternoon.

8 Tuesday Were shopping or getting dress fitted nearly all day. Laura was down in the evening.

9 Wednesday Shopped in the morning and came home by boat in afternoon. Mother had papered the sitting room. Emma F. was sewing here.

10 Thursday Louise had a holiday. Miss Barbara Frost took tea here. Lulu took her lesson.

11 Friday Lulu took a lesson. Mr. Frost came in the evening. Marion spent the day here.

12 Saturday Mother, Father and Am were in town today. Mother brought my hat. I worked nearly all day at my white waist.

13 Sunday *17th after Trinity* Was up to Marion's and stayed to tea. We all went to evening service. Hawkesly was at our place.

14 Monday Fine. Lulu took lesson. Father went away on train.

15 Tuesday Fine. Lulu took lesson.

16 Wednesday Fine. My dresses came tonight. Also several presents by boat.

17 Thursday Fine. Marion was in this morning. She had just heard from Horace that he is a little better.

18 Friday Fine. Father came home this afternoon. Lulu finished her lessons.

19 Saturday Father was not well and Am went to Hampton for Dr. Smith. My packing and sewing is about finished. The dishes came from [?] tonight.

20 Sunday *18th after Trinity* Rainy and stormy. Went to Sunday [school] but not to church. Mr. F. came down in the afternoon.

21 Monday Julie came this morning. How in the afternoon. Received lots of presents. Will be married tomorrow morning.

22 Tuesday Was married at half past eleven, had lunch and went to Woodstock by C.P.R. train. Received lots of presents.

23 Wednesday Drove about Woodstock today and went with Mr. & Mrs. Todd to electric factory tonight. Had pleasant time.

24 Thursday Was walking with Mrs. Todd while Mr. Jack[1] and Mr. Todd went out in the country somewhere.

25 Friday Some callers came today, but I was tired.

26 Saturday Came to St. John today. Arrived at Julie's about eight in the evening. Wetmore, Annie and Fannie were there.

27 Sunday *19th after Trinity* Went to Stone Church in the morning, to Wetmore's for dinner, Aunt Eliza's to tea, and to Germain Street in the evening.

28 Monday Came to Hampton and home today. It is not fine.

29 Tuesday Expected my trunks from home but they did not come. Got letters. It is dull.

30 Wednesday Mr. Upham was here today and Mrs. Frost went home with him. It is rainy. My things have not come. Agnes intended coming today but rain probably prevented. Have been covering a chair.

31 Thursday Fine. My packages came today and I got the bedroom set to rights. Mr. Blackadar was here to tea.

November 1889

1 Friday Fixed the parlor today.

2 Saturday Fine. Mr. Frost went to Upham tonight.

3 Sunday *20th after Trinity* It rained all day long. We went to church but Mr. Warneford did not come. The church was trimmed for harvest service.

4 Monday Fine. Uncle Hud called to tell me of Marion's baby's death which occurred this morning.

5 Tuesday Fine. We drove to Clifton after tea to see Marion. It was a beautiful evening. Got home at twelve. Callers today.

6 Wednesday Fine. Carlotta's funeral was today. Mr. Smith came tonight from Chatam. Will Frost is here fixing the chimney.

7 Thursday Mother and Louise came this morning and stayed until evening. Lots of callers came today. It was lovely and fine for Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Smith left this afternoon.

8 Friday Fine. Some callers were here. Lottie and I took a walk this evening.

9 Saturday Dull and rainy. This evening I took a drive up to Hampton with Mr. Jack and saw Will Frost's new house.

10 Sunday *21st after Trinity* Rather cold. We drove to Clifton this morning. Went to afternoon service. John went home but I stayed home. Charlie Frost was here.

11 Monday Fine. Aunt Maggie was in & Ada. Aunt Eliza Wetmore, and Louise F.. Mother and I called this evening to see Marion and her new home.

12 Tuesday Fine. Aunt Mary Ann and Mrs. Penner were here to take tea.

13 Wednesday Fine. Expected to go to Norton tonight but boat did not run. May was in this afternoon.

14 Thursday Dull and rainy. Willie brought me up to Norton today. Got here just after dinner. No callers today. John was just starting for Clifton.

15 Friday Julie and family came up this morning and I drove out to the Station with them when they went away. Several callers were in. Fanny will probably go home in a week or so.

16 Saturday [No entry]

17 Sunday *22nd after Trinity* At last it was fine so we appeared out here in the morning and at Hampton in the evening. Purdy and Will Frost came down with Lottie from Sunday School.

18 Monday Fine and clear. Got letters from home. Callers this afternoon.

19 Tuesday Fine. John was at Hampton all day working at Baptist Parsonage. Mr. & Mrs. Hayes were here to tea.

20 Wednesday Dull.

21 Thursday Dull and rainy.

22 Friday Dull and rainy. Mr. Wade came to stay all night.

23 Saturday John went to Clifton to Agricultural Meeting & I went home. We came back in the evening. Father is not very well.

24 Sunday *23rd after Trinity* We went to Norton Baptist Church in the morning to service, here in the afternoon and to Hampton in the evening. Mr. & Mrs Dixon came up.

The Anglican church at Hampton, referred to as the church, while the Baptist gathering was referred to as the meeting. (Source: Kings County Museum, Hampton, N.B.)

25 Monday Dr. Fred and Fanny called. We returned some calls this afternoon. Mr. & Mrs. Dixon went home.

26 Tuesday Fine. Mr. & Mrs. Upham came about dinner time today. We started to make some calls but people were out.

27 Wednesday Have been setting my room to rights and we took tea in our own dining room for the first time tonight.

28 Thursday Busy day. It snowed last night. Almost enough for sleighing.

29 Friday We were up to Mr. Charles Fairweather's and took tea tonight.

30 Saturday [No entry]

December 1889

1 Sunday *1st in Advent* We were at the church in the morning and meeting in the evening. Mr. & Mrs. Barber were here and a Mr. Fowler. Louise came up to stay all night with Stan.

2 Monday Louise and Stan left early. They had sleighs. Mr. Upham came tonight.

3 Tuesday Mr. & Mrs. Upham left for home via Mrs. Dixon's. Afterward I called down the road this afternoon. It is very cold.

4 Wednesday We drove to Hampton tonight. It was clear and cold. The boys were skating on the rink.

5 Thursday [No entry]

6 Friday [No entry]

Took a drive up to Hampton and saw Mr. Frost's new house. (Source: Kings County Museum, Hampton, N.B.)

7 Saturday John and I went down to Clifton in a wagon but there is snow enough for sleighing. Found all well at home. Lottie skated to Hampton.

8 Sunday *2nd in Advent* Did not go to service anywhere. Came up home in the afternoon. Louise had Sunday School in the office.

9 Monday It was stormy today.

10 Tuesday Fine. We drove up to Mr. Warneford's and other places to call.

11 Wednesday [No entry]

12 Thursday Dull. Mr. Frost and John went up to meeting this evening.

13 Friday Snowed. Mrs. Seeley called. Father came here from Hampton. Stayed to tea and John took him home. He is not well.

14 Saturday Fine and cold. We were up to Hampton returning calls this afternoon. It is very cold driving.

15 Sunday *3rd in Advent* Went to church this morning and walked up to meeting this evening.

16 Monday Fine and clear.

17 Tuesday We drove to the Station & heard Dr. Howard deliver a lecture on reminiscences of his summer trip.

18 Wednesday Mrs. Frost heard of her brother's death today. This evening we all went up to a reception at the Baptist Parsonage. Mrs. William Frost called today.

19 Thursday [No entry]

20 Friday [No entry]

21 Saturday Fine.

22 Sunday *4th in Advent* We drove down home this morning and found all away to morning service. Charles Foster was there. Jack went home and I remained in Clifton.

23 Monday Were all busy at home getting ready for Christmas. Louise went down to help put up the greens at the church. John was to go to St. John.

24 Tuesday Busy again today. Fred Wood and Purdy were in tonight. I trimmed the Christmas tree. Mr. & Mrs. Frost were to start for Chatham.

25 Wednesday *Christmas* John, Lottie and Howard came this morning. We had a nice Christmas. How left in the afternoon, and we came up in the evening bringing Addie and Stan with us.

26 Thursday We all went up to Hampton this afternoon for a drive and called at Will Frost's. Got a letter from Fanny.

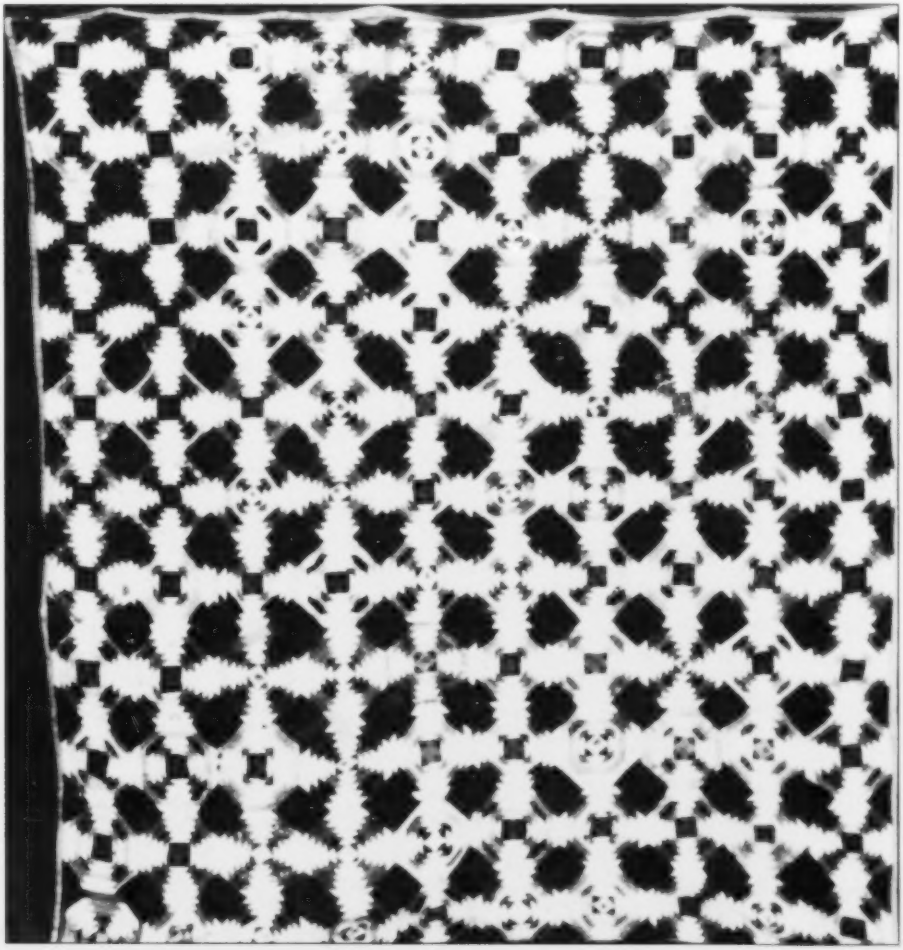
27 Friday [No entry]

28 Saturday We went down to Harvey Frost's and called this afternoon and Emma was in there afterwards. It was fine and cold.

29 Sunday *1st after Christmas* Went to service at the church this morning. Two children were baptized. Willie came up and Ad and Stan went home. Frank Hayes was here to tea.

30 Monday Rained this morning. Cleared this afternoon.

31 Tuesday Lottie went to Hampton, skated with Kate Fairweather. Mr. Charles Fairweather was very ill tonight. John went for the doctor.



This quilt, made for Genevieve by her sisters as a wedding gift, is in the John Corey Collection of the New Brunswick Museum. (Source: New Brunswick Museum, Saint John, N.B.)

Clifton Church and Community

All Saints Church

Most of the people who settled in the village of Clifton were members of the Church of England and belonged to the congregation of Trinity Church, Kingston. By 1830, the population of the busy village was swelling, and occasional afternoon and evening services were held at the home of Justus S. Wetmore in Clifton. A church was erected just across the river, at Gondola Point, in the Parish of Hampton (1832–1833), and became a regular place of worship for the people of Clifton. Services were held in the school as well, then moved to the Masonic Lodge in 1863 until All Saints Church was built, in 1885.

On August 29, 1883, the Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, incumbent of Holy Trinity Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba and grandson of Justus S. Wetmore, gave a lecture in Clifton Hall on missionary work. Following the lecture, he spoke of the desirability of having a church in Clifton and strongly urged the residents to build a House of God in the village. The reverend gentleman gave it as his decided opinion "that a church, neat and appropriate, though necessarily small, yet ample for the community and beautiful as well . . . could be built in Clifton." It was proposed and moved before the meeting that the people of the village "undertake the building of a church in Clifton."

Discussions on the feasibility of such a project followed, and a building committee was elected. Its members were R. W. Wetmore, G. Hudson Flewelling, D. P. W tmore and W. Hawksley Merritt. On October 12, the committee finally selected a plot of land that was suitable for both a church and a burying ground, located at the lower end of the village, near the Sugar Loaf. The search for funds and volunteers began. This aspect of the project was energetically managed by the ladies' sewing circle, which proved to be a powerful auxiliary throughout the building campaign.

Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath engaged an architect at his own expense. W. C. Harris, of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island who at the time was living in Winnipeg, drafted the full plans for the church and sent them by mail to the building committee as required.

Interestingly enough, the sod was turned by teamster Bernard McLaughlin, a Roman Catholic. On October 29, J. Edward Flewelling and Richard W. Wetmore, with Gabriel Merritt's team of horses, were levelling and grading the ground for the foundation of the church. During the spring and summer of 1884, primarily through "subscription work", the foundation was prepared, the square frame was erected for boarding, the windows were set, and the floor was laid. The windows and doors were built by R. W. Wetmore the previous winter. The contract for installing the roof and spire, and finishing the outside was let to Frost & Langstroth, of Hampton, that

September. The cost? $490. The company completed its work on November 22. Glass, which had been ordered from McCausland & Son, of Montreal, arrived on January 7, 1885, and was set in place on April 18 by Clifton volunteers. During the months of September and October, the plastering was completed under the direction of R. W. Wetmore, and J. & J. D. Howe made the seats and machined the woodwork.

Interior of All Saints Church, Clifton, with the beautiful gas chandelier. (Source: Jean MacDonald, Clifton Royal, N.B.)

Building Financial Statement

Costs as completed on Nov. 3rd, 1885		
Building lot and burying ground (given)		$100.00
Building, foundation, grading & stoves, with insurance until 1891		2492.00
Seats in full, Nave & Choir		200.00
Altar, Prayer Desk, Lectern, Carpets & Linen (given)		275.50
	Total cost	3,249.50
Receipts from the time the work began until the account was closed 1891		
Subscriptions, gifts and contributions in cash, materials and work		$1,752.24
Clifton Sewing Circle contribution		876.45
Lectures, concerts, etc.		378.95
Grants from S.P.C.K.		241.94
Account squared and closed Jan. 1st 1891		$3,249.58

On November 3, 1885, Bishop Medley, Metropolitan of Canada consecrated the building under the name of All Saints Church. The burying ground was consecrated at the same time. Rev. Ernest P. Flewelling was the first member of the clergy to hold service in the church, on November 8, 1885.

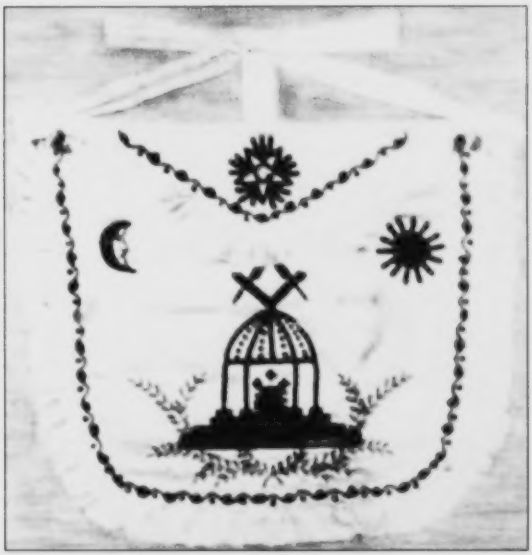
Memorials added beauty and interest, and helped pay for the church. The memorial windows all commemorate individuals.

EAST WINDOW	*In memory of*
	The Rev. W. E. Scovil, 1816–1876 Late Rector of Kingston The gift of the people of Kingston Parish, obtained by subscription
LARGE WEST WINDOW	*In memory of*
	Wm. P. Flewelling, 1814–1873 **Justus S. Wetmore, 1788–1873** **David Wetmore, 1803–1881**
THE TWO SMALLER WEST WINDOWS	*In memory of*
	Susannah Flewelling, 1825–1878 **Mary E. (Flewelling) Merritt, 1827–1878**
THE SEVEN SIDE WINDOWS	*In memory of*
	Edwyn Pentreath, 1912–1880 **Robert E. Puddington, 1838–1876** **Edmund Puddington, 1837–1880** **Charles McFarland, 1801–1864** **John Brien, 1799–1874** **Sherwood Wetmore, 1856–1879** **Adela (Flewelling) Stewart, 1848–1875**
ORGAN RECESS WINDOW	*In memory of*
	Margaret S. Flewelling, 1856–1882
ALTAR AND REREDOS	*In memory of*
	Jane Howe, 1803–1874 Given by her sons, Jonas & John D. Howe
PRAYER DESK	*In memory of*
	Frederic N. Flewelling, 1852–1866 Given by his brother, Rev J. E. Flewelling
LECTERN	Given by Rev. D. I. Wetmore

FURNISHINGS PLACED IN THE CHURCH SINCE IT WAS CONSECRATED	
PULPIT	*In memory of*
	David P. Wetmore, 1836–1893 Given by his son Howard P. Wetmore
FONT (1900)	*In memory of*
	Genevieve (Wetmore) Frost, 1863–1899 Given by husband, sisters & brothers
ORGAN (1901)	By subscription through D. P. Wetmore
BELL (1887)	By subscription through D. P. Wetmore
EUCHARISTIC VESSELS (1901)	*In memory of*
	Marshall Wetmore, 1838–1883 By his daughters Ella M. & Margaret E.
ECCLESIASTICAL CHAIRS (1886)	Miss Mary A. Wetmore
A good outfit of chandeliers and lamps, account not preserved Value of furnishings: organ, $149; altar, $125; bell, $82; east window, $100; west window, $81; prayer desk, $15; lectern, $10; pulpit, $45; font, $30; eucharistic vessels, $20	

Midian Masonic Lodge[1]

Loyalist settlers seemed to have been an industrious lot in providing shelter and clearing the land, much the same as their ancestors had done when they first arrived in America, most two to four generations before. They were the hewers of wood and drawers of water of our past. They carved a shipbuilding industry out of the wilderness. From their previous lives, they brought the social knowledge of their day and know-how of adventurous pioneers. The nineteenth century belonged to them and they prospered.



Richard W. Wetmore's mason apron. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

To every thing there is a season, and in that circle is boom and bust. When wooden shipbuilding began to wane, Clifton, depended on its agriculture, but as transportation centred in the city so grew the population, taking along the tradesmen and entrepreneurs. Quite likely the burning of the Moss Glen works in 1900 was the last straw for the once thriving village.

However, agriculture stayed strong until about the start of the first world war. Through the encouragement of the Agricultural Society, breed dairy farms were the norm, and market gardeners continued to have cheap river and rail service to get their product to market. As shipping became more expensive and inconvenient, farmers began moving into grass crops, while the plant and seed industry moved to even larger centres.

Clifton, as a scenic delight, nestled along the Kennebecasis River with a southern exposure, became a small community of folks who had lived their lives among the sloping fields, rugged steeps and surrounding fringed hills. A community for all seasons settled into a seasonal village.

Of the various groups that once organized themselves on the Kingston Peninsula, the most documented is that of the Midian Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons.

At one time or other, nearly all of the males living in Clifton during the nineteenth century were Free Masons. And the Masonic Lodge had a great influence on the social life during that period.

The number of the Lodge changed several times: it was #31 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia from 1805–1847; #770 on the register of the Grand Lodge of England (1847–1863), #527 on the same registry from 1862 to 1867, and #9 on the registry of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick from 1867 until 1894, when the order for surrendering the charter was made.

The Free Masons began at Kingston and passed through many unpredictable changes before locating in the village of Clifton. Among the early settlers in Kingston, was a sprinkling of Free Masons, who desired a lodge in which to meet, and they made application to the nearest Grand Lodge. On January 11th 1805, a petition was sent by Silas Raymond, Walter Dibblee and others to the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia at Halifax, seeking a warrant for holding such in the town of Kingston. The petition was granted, appointing the Rev. Oliver Arnold of Zion Lodge, Sussex, Deputy Grand Master, for the organization of the desired Lodge. The Deputy Grand Master appointed the necessary grand officers for the work of organizing a lodge, and called them in meeting at the house of Silas Raymond, Kingston, on the 12th of September 1805.

Grand officers present at the meeting were:

Rev. Oliver Arnold	W. Grand Master
Walter Dibblee	Dept. Grand Master
Dr. Azor Betts	Senior G. Warden
Isaac Perry	Junior G. Warden
Moses Foster	G. Sec.

The following named brethren were duly installed and proclaimed Master and Wardens of Midian Lodge #31 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia:

Silas Raymond	Worshipful Master
Rulof Rulofson[2]	Senior Warden
Joseph Baxter	Junior Warden

The first gathering took place on the following October 8th, in their room, established at the house of Silas Raymond, near the foot of the hill from Kingston Square on the road towards the Kennebecasis River. The members of the first Lodge of Midian as follows:

First Lodge of Midian #31; held October 8th 1805

Name	Place of Residence	Former Lodge
Silas Raymond, Master	Kingston	Sussex Vale
Rulof Rulofson, Senior Warden	Kingston	Zion #21
Joseph Baxter, Junior Warden	Norton	Zion #21
Azor Hoyt, Secretary	Kingston	Zion #21
Isaac Perry, Treasurer	Kingston	Zion #21
Walter Dibblee	Kingston	St. George #19
Thomas Fairweather	Norton	Zion #21
Moses Foster	Kingston	St. George #19
Nathaniel Deforest	Kingston	Zion #21
Isaac Bostwick	Kingston	Zion #21
Wm. Puddington	Kennebecasis	Zion #21
David B. Wetmore	Kingston	Zion #21
Richard Whelpley	Long Reach	St. John #29

The Lodge met regularly, and it was decided to host a Masonic dinner at the house of Silas Raymond, on the following St. John's Day, December 27th. The dinner was duly celebrated, at which the Rev. Silas Scovil, present by special invitation, edified the Lodge with a lecture on Masonic elements, tenets and duties.
Midian Lodge appeared to be healthily established; new members were coming in at almost every meeting.

In the tenth year of work, the lodge began seriously to wane; membership became so small that often there were not enough gathered on the night of meeting to form a quorum. Reasons for the decline are difficult to determine. Whatever the reasons, as time went on the Lodge failed to increase the membership and the location of the lodge was changed to Abel English's Inn, nearer the ferry to Hampton on the Kennebecasis River, with beneficial results.

The following extract from a report, to the Grand Lodge by David B. Wetmore, Master, and Jas. W. Puddington, Secr tary, refers to the date.

"In consequence of the removal, by death and declaring off, of several of the members of our Lodge, it became very difficult to assemble a sufficient number of brethren (especially in the summer months) to do business, and it was therefore deemed to be absolutely necessary to remove the Lodge from Bro. Silas Raymond's in Kingston to Bro. Abel English's (in the same town), a few miles distant, and where the greater part of the brethren are settled, which we hope will meet with the approbation of the Grand Lodge and receive it's sanction."

In the new quarters, meetings were well attended. On St. John's Day, June 27th 1822, Zion Lodge #21, Sussex Vale, responded to an invitation and partook of the Lodge's hospitality at a Masonic dinner in the Hotel of Abel English. The dinner proved enjoyable, toasts to the King and Masonic Leaders were responded to in warm and glowing language. The following were present:

Rev. Bro. Oliver Arnold	Bro. Joseph Rouse
Bro. James Cookson	Bro. William Fairweather
Bro. H. Bostwick	Bro. Thomas Arnold
Bro. R. Rulofson	Bro. John Lannen
Bro. S. Ketchum	Bro. Enoch Dole
Bro. I. Barbarie	Bro. Caleb Wetmore
Bro. Lewis Fairweather	Bro. Oliver Byram
Bro. William Frost, Sen	Bro. Salyer Morrell
Bro. Thomas Fairweather	Bro. William Doyal
Bro. James Wetmore, 2nd	Bro. Elijah Baxter
Bro. Joshua Gidney	Bro. Simon Baxter
Bro. John King	Bro. John Nichols
Bro. Peter Pickett	Bro. James Sproule

After dining, members and guests proceeded to St. Paul's Church, Hampton, where service was said, the Rev. Brothers Arnold and Cookson officiating.

The following St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27th, Midian paid a return fraternal visit to Zion Lodge and was properly entertained. In the few years that followed, the Lodge prospered, then the old trouble of dues began. Slack attendance followed in its wake, with thin, uninteresting lodge meetings. Dissatisfaction was expressed in open lodge meetings, at the security risk of the lodge furniture and "ark" in the house of Mr. English. Matters ran along in this way until January 6th 1828, when a resolution was unanimously carried, deciding to move the Lodge to the house of C. L. Perkins, at the Shiretown.

At the house of C. Loyal Perkins, the lodge met pretty regularly for the next nine years, without the boom which first followed its removal from Kingston, yet the monthly meetings were fairly full and interesting. Again the organization appears to have lost heart. So serious was this feeling, that at the regular January meeting 1837, it was voted to move the lodge with a small part of the furniture to the house of David Wetmore in Clifton, the larger bulk of furniture to be sold at auction. Thanks were voted to Bro. C. Loyal Perkins for his kind attention in accommodating the lodge while in his house, and the group moved to the home of David Wetmore, where the lodge held but four very slim meetings, the last November 2nd 1841, which is the last recorded meeting of Midian Lodge #31 on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Following a period of inactivity, the lodge re-activated on January 26, 1847, when the brethren from St. John assembled at the hotel of Elijah A. Perkins, Kingston, Kings County, as Deputy Grand Officers, for the installation of the said Midian Lodge. A numerous assembly of the Brotherhood from St. John and various parts of the province attended, and following the inspection of the warrant of Midian Lodge, Deputy Grand Master Thomas proceeded with the installation. The officers installed for the Lodge were as follows:

Justus S. Wetmore	Master
Andrew C. Otty	Senior Warden
David Wetmore, Jr.	Junior Warden
James Flewelling	Treasurer
Capt. Edwin Pentreath	Secretary
Benjamin Darling	Senior Deacon
Samuel Foster	Junior Deacon
Ezrahiah Wetmore	Tyler

Established now for the third time in the Shiretown, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England, the fortunes of Midian Lodge #770 promised well for the future. For ten years, all was well, with regular monthly meetings at the hotel of E. A. Perkins. Then, members objecting to his charges for room rent, the Lodge was moved February 1857 to the Temperance Hall at Kingston until the end of 1858.

The Honourable William P. Flewelling (1814–1875), Member of the House of Assembly, Fredericton, New Brunswick, 1866–1877. (Source: John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, N.B.)

Since a promising field seemed open for the construction of a Lodge building, it was resolved at the December 1858 meeting to fit up lodge rooms in the house being built by the Hon. W. P. Flewelling. A committee was appointed to solicit subscription for a Masonic hall, with a mandate to partner with the School Trustees of the District as well as other people of the village. The objective was to build a hall suitable for the masons, the school, church purposes, and public meetings. The chair named Justus S. Wetmore, Wm. P Flewelling and J. Bentley Flewelling as that committee.

A two-storey plan was instituted, after consultations and due deliberation. The lower floor for school rooms, while the upper floor was to be open to

accommodate large gatherings. Construction began with the understanding that all parties assist in bearing the expense of the building, although the title of the hall and land connected be held by Midian Lodge. All work of building was to be controlled by the lodge. With arrangements finally settled, a building committee was appointed September 1861 consisting of Wm. P Flewelling, David Wetmore, and Bentley Flewelling. In January 1872, the building committee rendered a report of the accounts … total cost of the work was $1404.55.

Meetings were generally interesting during the construction phase. The deed transfer was arranged from owner W. P. Flewelling to the organization in 1863, and later $20.00 was voted him for the Hall lot. By the end of 1863, the hall was ready for use, and it was possible for Midian Lodge to meet in the new lodge on St. John's Day, December 27th. On completion of the Hall in August 1863, the Grand Lodge of England changed the number of Midian lodge from #770 to #527.

Efforts were made for many years to have a Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, which was finally organized on October 9th 1867, at a full convention in St. John. In June 1868, the new warrant was presented to Midian, placing the lodge #9 on the register of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

Fortunes for the lodge began to fail about 1887. Shipbuilding had dwindled, and the population waned. Severe losses had befallen the lodge with the death of three of the leaders in council:

Past Master J. S. Wetmore, 1873
Past Senior Grand Warden W. P. Flewelling, 1875
Past Master David Wetmore, 1882

Members deemed it advisable to wind up the affairs of Midian Lodge while there were sufficient members in attendance to do the business. Accordingly, a resolution was moved and carried ordering the conveyance of Clifton Hall with ground attached to the Trustees of Clifton School district, with certain rights reserved to the Clifton Hall Company.

Rank	Name	Year of Entering	Year of Leaving	Trade or Profession	Place of Residence
M.M.	Akerly, James	1809	1812	carpenter	Gagetown
"	Adams, Nathaniel	1824	1827	farmer	Greenwich
	Adams, Jr. Nathanie	1867	1870	painter	St. John
"	Allen, S. Busby	1876	1882	Teacher, MD	Clifton, USA
"	Baxter, Joseph	1805	1807	farmer	Norton
"	Bostwick, Isaac	1805	1808	farmer	Kingston
"	Bulyes, Thomas	1809		yeoman	Queen's Co.
"	Brittain, James	1813		cooper	Carleton
"	Bostwick, Hanford	1814	1816	farmer	Kingston

Rank	Name	Year of Entering	Year of Leaving	Trade or Profession	Place of Residence
"	Butters, Nathaniel	1814	1821	carpenter	Kings Co.
"	Bulyea, James	1816	1822	farmer	Queens Co.
"	Burlock, David	1816		farmer	Queens Co.
"	Birdsel, Benjamin	1817	1819	farmer	Queens Co.
M.M.	Beane, William	1818	1818	school master	Kings Co.
"	Brown, William	1822		carpenter	
"	Baxter, Elijah	1823		farmer	Norton
"	Burley, John	1825	1828	carpenter	
"	Blackstone, Nathaniel	1825	1826	carpenter	
"	Bull, Andrew	1825	1828	farmer	Hampton
"	Bull, Richard	1826	1827	farmer	Hampton
P.M.	Bates, Edward[1]	1888	1894	builder	St. John
M.M.	Clark, John	1807		carpenter	Carleton
"	Case, Maize	1807		farmer	Queens Co.
"	Clark, Joseph	1808		carpenter	Carleton
"	Coffin, Maj. Gen. J.	1810		Military Officer	Westfield
"	Craft, John	1813	1827	Inn Keeper	Carleton
"	Caldwell, William	1813	1816	farmer	Queens Co.
"	Caldwell, John	1816	1818	farmer	Queens Co.
"	Caldwell, James	1816	1818	farmer	Queens Co.
"	Craft, William	1815	1827	farmer	Manawagonish
P.M.	Condle, James	1819	1825	school teacher	Kingston
M.M.	Cookson, Rev. James			Ang. Clergy	Hampton
"	Cage, B. M.	1816			
"	Croker, Ichabod	1824	1825	carpenter	
"	Craft, Rueben J.	1825		carpenter	
"	Cougle, Oliver	1824			Sussex
"	Craft, Ruel	1826			
"	Crawford, J. H.	1827		Inn Keeper	Hampton
P.M.	Corey, Thomas		1833		
M.M.	Cougle, Peter C.	1849	1851		Sussex
"	Cole, John1852	1852		Sea Captain	England
"	Carmichael, James L.	1864	1869	carpenter	St. John
P.M.	Dibblee, Walter	1805	1812	farmer	Kingston
"	Deforest, Nathaniel	1805	1819		Kings Co.
"	Dibblee, Flyer	1807	1817	Attorney	Kingston
M.M.	Dickie, Alexander	1822		carpenter	Queens Co.
"	Dykeman, J. H.	1813			Queens Co.
"	Dixon, Joseph	1823	1827	farmer	Kingston
	DeMill, Rufus	1824	1827	Gentleman	Hampton
"	Darling, Benjamin	1825	1827	farmer	Hampton
"	Dennison, William	1860	1867	farmer	Norton
"	Duval, Johnathon P.	1868	1894	Cabinet Minister	St. John

Rank	Name	Year of Entering	Year of Leaving	Trade or Profession	Place of Residence
"	English, Abel	1822	1828	Tavern Keeper	Kennebecasis
"	Earle, Dr. S.Z.	1849	1854	M.D.	Hampton
"	Emery, James	1849	1854	carpenter	Moss Glen
"	Earle, Justus	1848	1854	yeoman	Hampton
P.M.	Fairweather, Thomas	1805		farmer	Norton
M.M.	Foster, Moses	1805		farmer	Kingston
"	Flagler, Frederic	1817		farmer	Kings Co.
"	Fritch, John	1822	1827	carpenter	
"	Foster, Nathan W.	1825	1825	carpenter	Kingston
"	Flewelling, Thomas A.	1826		Hotel Keeper	Kingston
"	Flewelling, Ezekiel	1826	1833	farmer	Kingston
P.M.	Foster, Samuel	1828	1888	merchant	Kingston
M.M.	Flewelling, James	1829	1848	carpenter	Kingston
P.M.	Flewelling, William P	1850	1870	ship wilder	Clifton
M.M.	Flewelling, Enos H.	1850	1870	shipwright	Clifton
P.M.	Flewelling, Merritt	1852	1889	shipwright	Clifton
M.M.	Flewelling, J. Bentley	1854	1869	yeoman	Kingston
"	Flewelling, Robert J.	1854	1894	ship carpenter	Clifton
"	Freeze, Samuel	1859	1870	hotel keeper	Norton
P.M.	Flewelling, Ormond	1861	1864	farmer	Salisbury
"	Flewelling, G. Hudson	1864	1894	ship builder	Clifton
"	Flewelling, Rev. E	1867	1883	Ang. Clergy	Clifton
"	Flewelling, Osborne	1867	1894	yeoman	Clifton
"	Flewelling, J. L.	1873	1894	Merchant	Rothesay
"	Fairweather, A. C.	1879		lawyer	Rothesay
M.M.	Gidney, Joshua D.	1819	1821	farmer	Sussex
"	Guimarin, Peter	1819			
"	Gifford, Jonathon	1826		carpenter	
"	Hoyt, Azor	1805		farmer	Kingston
"	Hadden, William	1808		painter	St. John
"	Hunter, Thomas	1809		painter	St. John
"	Huston, Robert	1811		carpenter	Kingston
"	Huston, Thomas	1813		carpenter	Kingston
"	Hoyt, Lewis	1817		farmer	Kingston
"	Hoyt, William	1819	1821	tavern keeper	St. John
"	Hatch, William M.	1825		carpenter	
"	Heustis, Alpheus B.	1826	1827		carpenter
P.M.	Howe, John D.	1867	1894	Manufacture	St. John
M.M.	Hancock, Rev. Walter	1888	1894	Ang. Clergy	Rothesay
"	Innis, Isaac	1823		farmer	Norton
"	Jones, Samuel	1807	1821	inn keeper	St. John
"	James, Joseph	1825		carpenter	
"	Jodrey, D	1861	1861	carpenter	P.E.I.
"	Ketchum, John	1812		carpenter	Carleton

Rank	Name	Year of Entering	Year of Leaving	Trade or Profession	Place of Residence
"	Ketchum, Joseph	1825	1827	carpenter	Carleton
"	Kenna, James	1874	1883	painter	St. John
"	Ketchum, S.	1808			Norton
"	Littlehale, Joseph	1806		cooper	Carleton
"	Lightfoot, J. R.	1822	1824	surgeon	
"	Laramore, Samuel	1825	1827	tailor	
"	Littlehale, Henry J	1826	1829	carpenter	Carleton
"	Morse, Joseph	1811		carpenter	
"	McDonald, John	1821	1827	Gentleman	
"	Melowney, Thomas W.	1825		tailor	
"	McCowan, Joseph	1825			
"	McKenzie, Ambrose	1825	1826	carpenter	
"	Murray, John	1860	1864	blacksmith	Penobsquis
"	Maybe, Cornelius	1863		ship builder	Clifton
F.C.	McKiney, John	1869	1882	carpenter	Rothesay
M.M.	Nixon, George W.	1820	1827	school teacher	Kennebecasis
"	Nowlin, Robert W.	1823	1827	farmer	Kings Co.
"	Nisbet, Thomas	1825		manufacturer	St. John
"	Nugent, Bernard	1849	1851		
P.M.	Otty, Andrew C.	1849	1853	gentleman	Hampton
M.M.	Otty, Henry P.	1849	1853	clerk	Hampton
"	Perry, Isaac	1805	1822	farmer	Kingston
"	Puddington, William	1805	1807	shipwright	Kennebecasis
"	Perkins, T. Newman	1807		cordwainer	Kingston
"	Purdy, Samuel	1818	1819		Queens Co.
"	Pickett, Peter	1820		farmer	Kingston
P.M.	Puddington, James W.	1820	1860	farmer	Clifton
M.M.	Putman, Henry	1820		carpenter	Sunbury
"	Pickle, Nicholas	1822	1827	carpenter	Norton
"	Perkins, C. Loyal	1823	1827	inn keeper	Kingston
"	Puddington, William jr.	1826	1827	joiner	Kingston
"	Pentreath, Edwin	1847	1852	sea captain	England
"	Profit, Anthony	1867	1883	chalker	St. John
"	Peach, Addison N.	1869	1883	carpenter	Rothesay
	Pattison, William	1874	1875	factory hand	Moss Glen
"	Pratt, Ruel	1826			
"	Pattison, James	1874	1878	manufacturer	Moss Glen
"	Pattison, Daniel	1874	1878	factory hand	Moss Glen
P.M.	Partridge, Rev. F.	1876	1889	Ang. Clergy	Rothesay
"	Raymond, Silas	1805	1822	farmer	Kingston
M.M.	Rulofson, Rulof	1805		half pay officer	Kingston
"	Richardson, James	1811		carpenter	Kingston
"	Rupert, Henry	1823		farmer	
"	Remick, David S.	1824		carpenter	

Rank	Name	Year of Entering	Year of Leaving	Trade or Profession	Place of Residence
"	Ryan, George	1860		farmer	Studholm
"	Rogers, Rev. George	1864	1876	Ang. Clergy	Springfield
"	Scribner, Ezikiah	1805		farmer	Kingston
"	Seely, Linus	1807			Carleton
"	Stanton, John	1811	1811	sailor	St. John
"	Sharp, William	1816	1819	cooper	Queens Co.
"	Sweet, Benjamin	1820			
"	Stiver, Lawernce	1823	1827		
"	Sharp, James	1816		farmer	Queens Co.
"	Sampson, Melzar	1826	1826		
"	Second, William	1806			
"	Scott, Dr. Thaddeus	1866	1875	MD	Kingston
P.M.	Sharland, E. D.	1822	1830	carpenter	Hampton
M.M.	True, Lewis M.	1825	1826	carpenter	
"	Towsend, John Y	1825		farmer	
"	Underhill, Thomas	1808	1810	yeoman	Greenwich
"	Vail, Nathaniel	1814	1819	carpenter	Queens Co.
"	Towsend, Robert	1826		farmer	
"	Vail, Reuben	1811			
"	Vanwart, Isaac	1828			
P.M.	Wetmore, David B.	1805	1845	gentleman	Norton
M.M.	Whelpley, Richard	1805		farmer	Long Reach
"	Worden, Jarvis	1808	1812	inn keeper	Greenwich
P.M.	Wetmore, James jr	1851	1855	farmer	Clifton
M.M	Wetmore, 2nd Jas	1823	1823	blacksmith	Hampton
"	Wetmore, Caleb jr.	1823		carpenter	St. John
"	Wetmore, Ezrahiah	1825	1847	farmer	Clifton
P.M.	Wetmore, David jr	1825	1882	farmer	Hampton
M.M.	Wanamaker, Wm	1826		farmer	Hampton
"	Wetmore, Joseph	1826	1827	joiner	St. John
P.M.	Wetmore, Justus S.	1828	1873	ship builder	Clifton
"	Wetmore, Rev. David	1859	1894	Ang. Clergy	Clifton
M.M.	Wetmore, Geo C.	1854	1877	millman	Moss Glen
"	Winslow, Edward	1826			
"	Wetmore, John jr	1828			Nova Scotia
P.M.	Wetmore, John VanC	1854	1877	carpenter	Clifton
"	Wetmore, David P.	1861	1893	school inspector	Clifton
M.M.	Wetmore, W. Wallace	1864	1894	carpenter	Clifton
P.M.	Wetmore, Richard W.	1867	1893	farmer	Clifton
"	Wetmore, E. Marshall	1869	1883	carpenter	Clifton
M.M.	Wetmore, James E.	1870	1881	school teacher	Clifton
P.M.	Wetmore, Howard D.	1873	1894	farmer	Clifton
"	Wainwright, Rev. H. S.	1876	1894	Ang. Clergy	Kingston
M.M.	Yeomans, Peter	1816		farmer	Queens Co.

Through the records of the lodge, there is evidence of the silent helping hand extended to the brother, his widow or family, with contributions extending outside the lodge. This work of which the world generally knows little went on through good and lean years, response to brethren was cheerfully given. Refreshment was not neglected in Midian Lodge, as in the rules and bylaws of the Lodge it is specified that members shall pay one shilling each for refreshments, whenever in attendance, and eight pence regular dues per month, whether present or absent.

- Major General John Coffin – represented Kings County in the Provincial Legislature (1786–1810)
- David B. Wetmore – the same (1817–1828)
- George Ryan – the same (1851–1867), followed by election to the first Parliament at Ottawa
- Hon. W. P. Flewelling – county representative (1866–1870), member of the Executive Council with the office of the Surveyor General
- Hon. G. Hudson Flewelling – represented Kings County (1882–1886) and was a member of the Legislative Council (1886–1892).

Endnotes

Introduction

1. Depending on the generation, the various communities and family names may have different spellings. Reid's Point, for example, may appear as Reid's, Reids, Reed's or Reeds.
2. Clifton, Kingston Peninsula, later became known as Clifton Royal, with reference to the Royal Canadian Mail Service, as there is a second Clifton on the Acadian Peninsula, New Brunswick

THE WETMORE DIARIES

Book 1 : The Diaries of David Pickett Wetmore

1. The diary is a hardcover, hand-sewn volume with a leather spine measuring 15½ in. x 6½ in. The pages are edged in gold, and the cover has a four-colour effect (red/blue/black on mottled brown).
2. The Temperance Union was very active in the area during the last half of the century.
3. The hall was the site of most of the social activities in the community and was built in 1863, under the direction of the Midian Masonic Lodge, in partnership with the school trustees, the Orange Lodge and the Templar's Lodge. The building was, in some form or other, a place for community gatherings in Clifton until it was torn down about 1989.
4. See Book 3, *Union Agricultural Society Minute and Account Book*.
5. See *Clifton, Church and Community*.
6. The *Edina*, a 599-ton barque, built for the Thompson Fleet. On March 8, 1885, it left Charleston, South Carolina, bound for Cardiff, Wales with a cargo of cotton, met a gale and lost her sails. The decks were swept and the cargo shifted. It put into St. Thomas, where the vessel was condemned and sold at public auction.
7. The day is broken into several parts: morning, forenoon, noon, afternoon, evening and night.
8. D. P. Wetmore is considered the inventor of the octagonal berry box.
9. D. P. Wetmore sold the plants commercially and is considered to be the one who introduced strawberry cultivation as a business in the province.
10. Clifton continues to be a fine place to grow rhubarb. If you pull it out and toss it, it will grow where it lands
11. Rebecca Araminta Wetmore, David Pickett's wife. See Book 2.
12. This is the last entry for 1872. Gardens obviously went into high gear, and the entire community was exceedingly busy. The 1,064-ton Peacemaker was launched at Moss Glen on July 8 by Wetmore, Titus & Merritt. The 846-ton barque *Willie S. Thompson*, launched at Clifton on July 25 by W. P. Flewelling for the Thompson fleet, burned at sea on October 24, 1874, and five crew members were lost. The Julia A. Merritt, a 181-ton two-mast brig, was launched at Moss Glen by Justus Wetmore.

13. This is the last page of the book. When the book is flipped, however, this page becomes the first and appears at the end of this section.
14. The Percy Thompson (1,228 tons), built for the Thompson fleet, floundered at sea on June 15, 1874 while on a voyage from Bull River, South Carolina, to London with a cargo of phosphate rock. The crew was saved.
15. The *Shelia*, a 967-ton barque built by Gabriel Merritt and launched at Moss Glen. Sailing from Rio de Janeiro on October 16, 1888 for ballast, it met with a hurricane lasting 36 hours. The deck was swept, and boats were lost. The missen was cut away to try to get the vessel before the wind. In an operation that lasted a full day, the crew was rescued by the U.S. ship B.P. Cheney on November 27, 1888.
16. *Director*, a 679-ton barque built by Wetter & Merritt and launched at Moss Glen. In 1887, the vessel was wrecked in Marino Bay, on Cornwallis Reef, near Borneo, in the China Sea . The crew was saved.
17. This hoe is in the permanent collection of the John Fisher Memorial Museum, Kingston, New Brunswick.
18. The *Muskota*, a 1,399-ton ship built by Gabriel Merritt, was launched at Moss Glen. It was lost in a typhoon in the Indian Ocean in June 1887.
19. On April 28, Gabriel Merritt launched the 984-ton barque *Ingleside* from Moss Glen.
20. As the regiment was set up at the barrack green to assist with the fire clean-up, it is assumed that David Pickett Wetmore was in Saint John for much of the summer of 1877.
21. On August 11, 1877, G. Hudson Flewelling launched the 720-ton barque Forest, built for the Thompson fleet. The ship was abandoned in the North Atlantic in December 1893. On Oct. 27, Gabriel Merritt launched the 46-ton schooner *Minnie Cline*, which operated as a pilot boat in St. John harbour.

Book 2 : The Diary of Rebecca Araminta Wetmore

1. Araminta does not mention either of the large vessels that were launched within sight of her windows during the month of May.
2. In May 1874, the Kate Melick, a 759-ton barque, was launched at Clifton, while the 385-ton three-mast Julia Fisher was launched at Moss Glen.

Book3 : Union Agricultural Society Minute and Account Book

1. The word Union was used most likely in relation to the "good ship Union", on which the central core of Kingston Loyalists arrived in 1783. This was certainly the case in John London's Union House inn.
2. The Kingston Community Hall Company continues to operate a hall in this location (2003).

3. The premium list is the prize list for the exhibition.
4. The name Northrup was continually spelt Northrop by W. E. Pickett, since there was only one Northrup arrival in 1783. Perhaps this explains the different spellings in the province today!
5. This does not seem to have been followed up.
6. And was never heard of again.
7. Located on Sand Cove Road, Saint John West, later known as the Annex.
8. There are several lively social comments written between the lines throughout the book, especially when emotion comes into the script.
9. One of the agricultural magazines available at the time.
10. See Note 10.
11. This was the first sign of David Pickett's illness, and seems to leave the organization a little adrift.
12. D.P. Wetmore and his wife, Araminta, travelled to Boston to see if they could find medical treatment for his illness.
13. Still the Loyal Loyalists.
14. Macdonald Consolidated School was opened in 1904 with the assistance of William Macdonald, and under his direction. It was one of five such schools in the eastern provinces. Structured to incorporate several one-room schools, they offered the first home economics and manual training courses in rural education, as well as the first science labs. A "busing" system – a horse and wagon – was also introduced at that time.

Book 4 : Howard Douglas Wetmore — Farm Journal and Diary

1. Book 4 of the Wetmore diaries measures 13 in. x 8½ in. The cover is hard card with an embossed frame effect and dark brown to burgundy in colour.
2. Full text: "Mr John Murphy, Sen You are hereby notified to attend at the end of the district Perrys Point Bridge at 8 o'clock a.m. on Monday the 2nd day of July 1883 with an axe to perform 6 days structure labour as required by law or you may in lieu thereof pay me the commutation money at the rate of fifty cents per day on or before 1st. August next after that date the money will be placed in the hands of Justice to be dealt with accordingly to law. Kingston K. Co. Samuel Lamb, Road Surveyor."

Book 5 : The Diary of Genevieve Wetmore

1. Jennifer Puddington
2. Genevieve's sister
3. Bridge – a causeway across the Kennebecasis River, from Perry's Point to Jubilee. It went out in the freshet of 1912.
4. Small sled
5. The *Laurissa*, a 132-ton schooner, was launched by Gabriel Merritt. While

on a voyage (cargo of coal) from New York to Saint John on January 24, 1890, the vessel was driven ashore at Ram Island, near Libby Island, but the crew was saved.

6. The *Inglewoode*, a 133-ton schooner, was launched by Gabriel Merritt at Moss Glen.
7. Prior to the invention of linoleum, oil cloth was used as a decorative floor covering
8. The Ravine Road leads from Hampton to the Midlands, in the Norton valley.
9. After the wedding, Genevieve slowly became less formal in referring to her new husband, John Frost.

Clifton Church and Community

1. From an essay written by Richard W. Wetmore for the Clifton Literary Society, 1912.
2. Thomas Fairweather, named in the warrant, being unable to attend, Rulof Rulofson, a respectable halfpay officer, was installed Senior in his stead. See Return to Grand Lodge.
3. Edward Bates was the last Worshipful Master.

Clifton Royal

The Wetmores and Village Life in Nineteenth-Century New Brunswick

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